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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2013 No. 1554**

**The Criminal Procedure Rules 2013**

**PART 29**

**MEASURES TO ASSIST A WITNESS OR DEFENDANT TO GIVE EVIDENCE**

*SECTION 2: GENERAL RULES*

**Declaration by intermediary**

**29.7.**—(1) This rule applies where—

- (a) a video recorded interview with a witness is conducted through an intermediary;
- (b) the court directs the examination of a witness or defendant through an intermediary.

(2) An intermediary must make a declaration—

- (a) before such an interview begins;
- (b) before the examination begins (even if such an interview with the witness was conducted through the same intermediary).

(3) The declaration must be in these terms—

“I solemnly, sincerely and truly declare [*or* I swear by Almighty God] that I will well and faithfully communicate questions and answers and make true explanation of all matters and things as shall be required of me according to the best of my skill and understanding.”