
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 1554

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2013

PART 65

APPEAL TO THE COURT OF APPEAL: GENERAL RULES

Hearings

65.6.—(1) The general rule is that the Court of Appeal must hear in public—

- (a) an application, including an application for permission to appeal; and
- (b) an appeal or reference,

but it may order any hearing to be in private.

(2) Where a hearing is about a public interest ruling, that hearing must be in private unless the court otherwise directs.

(3) Where the appellant wants to appeal against an order restricting public access to a trial, the court—

- (a) may decide without a hearing—
 - (i) an application, including an application for permission to appeal, and
 - (ii) an appeal; but
- (b) must announce its decision on such an appeal at a hearing in public.

(4) Where the appellant wants to appeal or to refer a case to the Supreme Court, the court—

- (a) may decide without a hearing an application—
 - (i) for permission to appeal or to refer a sentencing case, or
 - (ii) to refer a point of law; but
- (b) must announce its decision on such an application at a hearing in public.

(5) A judge of the Court of Appeal and the Registrar may exercise any of their powers—

- (a) at a hearing in public or in private; or
- (b) without a hearing.

[Note. For the procedure on an appeal against an order restricting public access to a trial, see Part 69.]