
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 1610

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2014

PART 29

MEASURES TO ASSIST A WITNESS OR DEFENDANT TO GIVE EVIDENCE

SECTION 3: SPECIAL MEASURES DIRECTIONS

Application to vary or discharge a special measures direction

- 29.11.**—(1) A party who wants the court to vary or discharge a special measures direction must—
- (a) apply in writing, as soon as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of the grounds for doing so; and
 - (b) serve the application on—
 - (i) the court officer, and
 - (ii) each other party.
- (2) The applicant must—
- (a) explain what material circumstances have changed since the direction was given (or last varied, if applicable);
 - (b) explain why the direction should be varied or discharged; and
 - (c) ask for a hearing, if the applicant wants one, and explain why it is needed.

[Note. Under section 20 of the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999, the court can vary or discharge a special measures direction—

- (a) on application, if there has been a material change of circumstances; or*
- (b) on the court's own initiative.]*