
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 759

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2020

PART 17

WITNESS SUMMONSES, WARRANTS AND ORDERS

Written application: form and service

17.4.—(1) An application in writing under rule 17.3 must be in the form [^{F1}issued under] the Practice Direction, containing the same declaration of truth as a witness statement.

(2) The party applying must serve the application—

- (a) in every case, on the court officer and as directed by the court; and
- (b) as required by rule 17.5, if that rule applies.

[Note. Declarations of truth in witness statements are required by section 9 of the Criminal Justice Act 1967(1). Section 89 of the 1967 Act(2) makes it an offence to make a written statement under section 9 of that Act which the person making it knows to be false or does not believe to be true.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in rule 17.4(1) substituted (2.10.2023) by [The Criminal Procedure \(Amendment No. 2\) Rules 2023 \(S.I. 2023/786\)](#), rule 1, [Sch. para. 12](#)

Commencement Information

- I1** Rule 17.4 in force at 5.10.2020, see Preamble

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- (1) [1967 c. 80](#); section 9 was amended by section 56 of, and paragraph 49 of Schedule 8 to, the Courts Act 1971 (c. 23), section 168 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 9 to, the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), section 69 of the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 (c. 25), regulation 9 of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to, [S.I. 2001/1090](#), paragraph 43 of Schedule 3 and Part 4 of Schedule 37 to the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c. 44), section 26 of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 2 to, the Armed Forces Act 2011 (c. 18) and section 80 of the Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20). It is further amended by section 72 of, and paragraph 55 of Schedule 5 to, the Children and Young Persons Act 1969 (c. 54) and section 65 of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 4 to, the Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), with effect from dates to be appointed.
- (2) [1967 c. 80](#); section 89 was amended by section 154 of, and Schedule 9 to, the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 (c. 43).

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Criminal Procedure Rules 2020, Section 17.4.