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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2016 No. 42**

The Police (Performance and Attendance)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

PART 5

Third Stage

**Witnesses**

**33.**—(1) As soon as reasonably practicable after any list of proposed witnesses has been—

- (a) agreed under regulation 32(5); or
- (b) supplied under regulation 32(6),

the appropriate authority shall supply that list to the panel chair together, in the latter case, with a list of its proposed witnesses.

(2) The panel chair shall—

- (a) consider the list or lists of proposed witnesses; and
- (b) subject to paragraph (3), determine which, if any, witnesses should attend the third stage meeting.

(3) The panel chair may determine that witnesses not named in any list of proposed witnesses should attend the third stage meeting.

(4) No witness shall give evidence at a third stage meeting unless the panel chair reasonably believes that it is necessary in the interests of fairness for the witness to do so, in which case he shall—

- (a) where the witness is a member, cause that person to be ordered to attend the third stage meeting; and
- (b) in any other case, cause the witness to be given notice that his attendance is necessary and of the date, time and place of the meeting.

(5) Any question as to whether evidence is admissible, or whether any question should or should not be put to a witness, shall be determined by the panel chair.

(6) Nothing in this regulation shall require a meeting to be adjourned where a witness is unable to attend the meeting.