



Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004

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PART 2

CIVIL PROCEEDINGS

Evidence of children and other vulnerable witnesses: special measures

[^{F1}16A **Relevant proceedings: Principal Reporter's power to act for party to proceedings**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where a child witness or other person who is giving or is to give evidence in or for the purposes of relevant proceedings (referred to in this section as “the party”) is a party to the proceedings.
- (2) The Principal Reporter may, on the party's behalf—
 - (a) lodge a child witness notice under section 12(2),
 - (b) make a vulnerable witness application for an order under section 12(6),
 - (c) make an application under section 13(1)(a) for review of the current arrangements for taking a witness's evidence.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 16A inserted (24.6.2013) by [Children's Hearings \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(asp 1\)](#), **ss. 176(4), 206(2)** (with s. 186); [S.S.I. 2013/195](#), arts. 2, 3

Changes to legislation:

Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004, Section 16A is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 25 April 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 11A11B inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 4\(3\)](#)
- s. 12(3A) inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 4\(4\)](#)
- s. 12(6A) inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 5\(2\)](#)
- s. 22B-22D inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 4\(5\)](#)