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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 384**

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2005

PART 57

PROCEEDS OF CRIME ACT 2002—RULES  
APPLICABLE TO ALL PROCEEDINGS

**Statements of truth**

**57.7.**—(1) Any witness statement required to be served by this Part or by Parts 58, 59, 60 or 61 must be verified by a statement of truth contained in the witness statement.

(2) A statement of truth is a declaration by the person making the witness statement to the effect that the witness statement is true to the best of his knowledge and belief and that he made the statement knowing that, if it were tendered in evidence, he would be liable to prosecution if he wilfully stated in it anything which he knew to be false or did not believe to be true.

(3) The statement of truth must be signed by the person making the witness statement.

(4) If the person making the witness statement fails to verify the witness statement by a statement of truth, the Crown Court may direct that it shall not be admissible as evidence.

*[Note. Formerly rule 54 of the Crown Court (Confiscation, Restraint and Receivership) Rules 2003.]*