### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2015 No. 1812

# The Armed Forces (Service Courts Rules) (Amendment) Rules 2015

#### **Court Martial rules**

**10.** After rule 22 (interpreters) insert—

## "Interpretation and translation for persons other than a person to whom proceedings relate

- **22A.**—(1) Where the complainant is due to attend a hearing as a witness, the court administration officer, where satisfied that the person needs interpretation, shall appoint an interpreter to act at the hearing.
- (2) The court administration officer may also appoint an interpreter for any other witness who is required to give evidence at a hearing, other than a person to whom any proceedings relate.
- (3) Before an interpreter begins to act at a hearing, an oath shall be administered to the interpreter.
- (4) Before an interpreter is sworn, the interpreter's name shall be read out, and any party to the proceedings may object to the interpreter on any reasonable ground.
- (5) If the judge advocate upholds any such objection, the interpreter shall not be sworn, and the court administration officer shall appoint another interpreter.
- (6) On application or on his own initiative, the judge advocate may require a written translation of any document or part of a document to be provided for a person who attends a hearing as a witness (other than a person to whom any proceedings relate) and who needs interpretation.".