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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 759**

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2020

PART 16

WRITTEN WITNESS STATEMENTS

**Content of written witness statement**

**16.2.** The statement must contain—

- (a) at the beginning—
  - (i) the witness' name, and
  - (ii) the witness' age, if under 18;
- (b) a declaration by the witness that—
  - (i) it is true to the best of the witness' knowledge and belief, and
  - (ii) the witness knows that if it is introduced in evidence, then it would be an offence wilfully to have stated in it anything that the witness knew to be false or did not believe to be true;
- (c) if the witness cannot read the statement, a signed declaration by someone else that that person read it to the witness; and
- (d) the witness' signature.

*[Note. The Practice Direction sets out a form of written statement for use in connection with this rule.]*