### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2020 No. 759

## The Criminal Procedure Rules 2020

### PART 48

### CONTEMPT OF COURT

### GENERAL RULES

#### Exercise of court's power to deal with contempt of court

**48.2.**—(1) The court must determine at a hearing—

- (a) an enquiry under rule 48.8; and
- (b) an allegation under rule 48.9.

(2) The court must not proceed in the respondent's absence unless—

- (a) the respondent's behaviour makes it impracticable to proceed otherwise; or
- (b) the respondent has had at least 10 business days' notice of the hearing, or was present when it was arranged.

(3) If the court hears part of an enquiry or allegation in private, it must announce at a hearing in public—

(a) the respondent's name;

- (b) in general terms, the nature of any conduct that the respondent admits, or the court finds proved; and
- (c) any punishment imposed.