

Judicial Office
for Scotland



APPLICATION

**to record and broadcast hearings in the
Scottish Supreme Courts**

Documentary Production

This is a working document and will be updated as issues are raised and resolved in the conduct of court business.

Submitting your application

Please refer to the Protocol on Recording and Broadcasting of Proceedings in the High Court of Justiciary and the Court of Session, and the Use of Live Text Based Communications from Court before completing this application. Use additional sheets if necessary. Submit your application to:

- Email: judicialcomms@scotcourts.gov.uk
- Post: Judicial Communications
Judicial Office for Scotland
Parliament House
11 Parliament Square
Edinburgh
EH1 1RF

Application

APPLICANT DETAILS

Name	
Media company (and commissioning organisation, if applicable)	
Postal address	
Email	
Business phone	
Mobile phone	
SCTS media registration card number (if applicable)	
Previous journalistic work including links to examples	

HEARING DETAILS

Which of the following you are applying to broadcast: sentencing statement; criminal appeal; civil appeal; civil first instance legal debate; criminal jury trial; civil jury trial; civil proof	
Case name	
Case reference number (if known)	
Nature of the case	
Court	
Date(s) of hearing	
Scheduled or estimated date(s) of broadcast	
Programme name	
What the programme is about, including a synopsis and issues covered	

Reasons you are applying to broadcast the proceedings	
How you intend to use the material within the programme	

<p>Whether you are seeking to film evidence given by witnesses</p> <p>If yes, how this material would be used</p>	
<p>Whether you intend to use more than one camera or microphone</p> <p>If yes, give the reason; the number; the positions in court; and the required floor space</p>	
<p>Whether you would be deploying a camera operator or using remote operation of the camera and other equipment</p>	
<p>Whether you have approached parties</p> <p>If yes, whether you have obtained their consent</p>	

Signature

I, _____ (name), have read and agree to the full terms of the Protocol on Recording and Broadcasting of Proceedings in the High Court of Justiciary and the Court of Session, and the Use of Live Text Based Communications from Court.

In particular, I understand and agree that any report or presentation of proceedings that includes a broadcast of a hearing must be fair and accurate, having regard to the overall content of the report or presentation and the context in which the broadcast is presented. It must not be used for: the purposes of a party political broadcast; advertisement or promotion (except where such advertisement or promotion relates to a report or presentation that includes a broadcast); light entertainment; comedy or satirical purposes. It must be within the law.

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Signature

Date

To Note

If other media parties apply to broadcast the same hearing, in certain circumstances you may be required to share the material, or parts of it, as stated in the Protocol.

What happens next?

The Broadcast Working group will review your application and decide whether to recommend your request, including any additional conditions, to the Lord President for approval.

If your application is refused, reasons will be provided. If the application is approved, you will be appointed a liaison officer. Permission may be withdrawn at any time in the interests of justice.