

POLICY ON PHOTOGRAPHING AND FILMING BY MEDIA OUTSIDE COURT

Principles:

- (1) Parties and others involved in court proceedings are entitled to enter and leave court buildings without being, or feeling they are being, harassed or intimidated.
- (2) Media are entitled to film and photograph people in public places in the course of reporting on court proceedings.

Application:

The Supreme Court:

- (1) Expects that media representatives, court staff and legal practitioners will adopt these principles, act in accordance with them, and where appropriate explain them to those potentially affected.
- (2) Will place material on its website explaining the principles and their practical application.
- (3) Encourages legal practitioners, court staff and media representatives to cooperate in arrangements such as predictable filming and photographing opportunities and camera pooling.
- (4) Will, when requested, assist in such arrangements through the Communications Office.
- (5) Will, where possible, make alternative electronic material related to court proceedings available so as to reduce media reliance on filming and photographing in the street.