

### **Rule 615. Excluding Witnesses.**

At a party's request, the court must order witnesses excluded so that they cannot hear other witnesses' testimony. Or the court may do so on its own. But this rule does not authorize excluding:

- (a) a party who is a natural person;
- (b) an officer or employee of a party that is not a natural person, after being designated as the party's representative by its attorney;
- (c) a person whose presence a party shows to be essential to presenting the party's claim or defense;
- (d) a victim in a criminal ~~or juvenile delinquency~~ proceeding where the prosecutor agrees with the victim's presence;
- (e) a victim counselor while the victim is present unless the defendant establishes that the counselor is a material witness in that criminal ~~or juvenile delinquency~~ proceeding; or
- (f) a person authorized by statute to be present.