

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 831; Pub. L. 103-322, title VI, §60025, Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 1982; Pub. L. 111-16, §3(10), May 7, 2009, 123 Stat. 1608.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on title 18, U.S.C., 1940 ed., §562 (R.S. §1033).

Words “or other capital offense” inserted after “treason” and “jurors” substituted for “jury”. The concluding sentence “When any person is indicted for any other capital offense, such copy of the indictment and list of the jurors and witnesses shall be delivered to him at least two entire days before the trial” was omitted. The change made by the revisers, permitting an additional day’s preparation for trial in homicide, kidnapping, rape, and other capital cases seemed not unreasonable.

Words “shall be delivered to him”, at end of section, were omitted as unnecessary.

Rule 10 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure requires that the defendant in every case be given a copy of the indictment or information before he is called upon to plead. Thus there is no conflict between the rule and the revised section.

Minor changes in phraseology were made.

AMENDMENTS

2009—Pub. L. 111-16 inserted “, excluding intermediate weekends and holidays,” after “commencement of trial”.

1994—Pub. L. 103-322 inserted before period at end “, except that such list of the veniremen and witnesses need not be furnished if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that providing the list may jeopardize the life or safety of any person”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2009 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-16 effective Dec. 1, 2009, see section 7 of Pub. L. 111-16, set out as a note under section 109 of Title 11, Bankruptcy.

**§ 3433. Arraignment—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Reading and furnishing copy of indictment to accused, Rule 10.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 831.)

**§ 3434. Presence of defendant—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Right of defendant to be present generally; corporation; waiver, Rule 43.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 831.)

**§ 3435. Receiver of stolen property triable before or after principal**

A person charged with receiving or concealing stolen property may be tried either before or after the trial of the principal offender.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 831.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on title 18, U.S.C., 1940 ed., §§101, 467 (Mar. 4, 1909, ch. 321, §§48, 288, 35 Stat. 1098, 1145).

Other provisions of sections 101 and 467 of title 18, U.S.C., 1940 ed., were incorporated in sections 641 and 662 of this title.

Necessary changes were made in phraseology.

**§ 3436. Consolidation of indictments or informations—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Two or more indictments or informations triable together, Rule 13.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

**§ 3437. Severance—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

**§ 3438. Pleas—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

**§ 3439. Demurrers and special pleas in bar or abatement abolished; relief on motion—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

**§ 3440. Defenses and objections determined on motion—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

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SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

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SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

**§ 3443. Instructions to jury—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

**§ 3444. Disability of judge—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

**§ 3445. Motion for judgment of acquittal—(Rule)**

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Motions for directed verdict abolished.

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

### § 3446. New trial—(Rule)

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 832.)

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### AMENDMENTS

2009—Pub. L. 111-79, §2(5), Oct. 19, 2009, 123 Stat. 2089, added item 3512.

2006—Pub. L. 109-177, title I, §115(1), Mar. 9, 2006, 120 Stat. 211, added item 3511.

2002—Pub. L. 107-273, div. B, title IV, §4002(c)(3)(B), Nov. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 1809, struck out item 3503 "Depositions to preserve testimony".

2000—Pub. L. 106-544, §5(b)(2), (3), Dec. 19, 2000, 114 Stat. 2718, struck out "in Federal health care investigations" after "subpoenas" in item 3486 and struck out item 3486A "Administrative subpoenas in cases involving child abuse and child sexual exploitation".

1998—Pub. L. 105-314, title VI, §606(b), Oct. 30, 1998, 112 Stat. 2985, added items 3486 and 3486A and struck out former item 3486 "Authorized investigative demand procedures".

1997—Pub. L. 105-6, §2(b), Mar. 19, 1997, 111 Stat. 12, added item 3510.

1996—Pub. L. 104-294, title VI, §604(a)(4), Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3506, substituted "victims'" for "Victims'" in item 3509.

Pub. L. 104-191, title II, §248(b), Aug. 21, 1996, 110 Stat. 2019, added item 3486.

1994—Pub. L. 103-322, title XXXIII, §330002(j), Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 2140, added item 3509.

1988—Pub. L. 100-690, title VI, §6484(b), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4384, added item 3508.

1984—Pub. L. 98-473, title II, §1217(b), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 2166, added items 3505, 3506, and 3507.

1970—Pub. L. 91-452, title II, §228(b), title VI, §601(b), title VII, §702(b), Oct. 15, 1970, 84 Stat. 930, 935, 936, added items 3503 and 3504, and struck out item 3486 "Compelled testimony tending to incriminate witnesses; immunity".

1968—Pub. L. 90-351, title II, §701(b), June 19, 1968, 82 Stat. 211, added items 3501 and 3502.

1957—Pub. L. 85-269, Sept. 2, 1957, 71 Stat. 596, added item 3500.

1954—Act Aug. 20, 1954, ch. 769, §2, 68 Stat. 746, rephrased item 3486.

### PROTECTED FACILITIES FOR HOUSING GOVERNMENT WITNESSES

Pub. L. 91-452, title V, §§501-504, Oct. 15, 1970, 84 Stat. 933, which authorized the Attorney General to provide for the security of Government witnesses and the families of Government witnesses in legal proceedings against any person alleged to have participated in an organized criminal activity, was repealed by Pub. L. 98-473, title II, §1209(b), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 2163, effective Oct. 1, 1984.

### § 3481. Competency of accused

In trial of all persons charged with the commission of offenses against the United States and in all proceedings in courts martial and courts of inquiry in any State, District, Possession or Territory, the person charged shall, at his own request, be a competent witness. His failure to make such request shall not create any presumption against him.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 833.)

### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on section 632 of title 28, U.S.C., 1940 ed., Judicial Code and Judiciary, and section 1200, Art. 42(a), of Title 34, Navy. (Mar. 16, 1878, ch. 37, 20 Stat. 30).

Section was rewritten without change of substance.

### SHORT TITLE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-6, §1, Mar. 19, 1997, 111 Stat. 12, provided that: "This Act [enacting section 3510 of this title, amending section 3593 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 3510 of this title] may be cited as the 'Victim Rights Clarification Act of 1997'."

### § 3482. Evidence and witnesses—(Rule)

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Competency and privileges of witnesses and admissibility of evidence governed by principles of common law, Rule 26.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 833.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Rule 26 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, referred to in text, was amended in 1972. The subject matter is covered by the Federal Rules of Evidence, set out in the Appendix to Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

### § 3483. Indigent defendants, process to produce evidence—(Rule)

SEE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Subpoena for indigent defendants, motion, affidavit, costs, Rule 17(b).