

**AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL RULES OF EVIDENCE  
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New material is **bold underlined**; matter to be omitted is ~~lined through~~.

**Rule 106. Remainder of or Related ~~Writings or Recorded~~ Statements**

If a party introduces all or part of a ~~writing or recorded~~ statement, an adverse party may require the introduction, at that time, of any other part—or any other ~~writing or recorded~~ statement—that in fairness ought to be considered at the same time. **The adverse party may do so over a hearsay objection.**

**Rule 615. Excluding Witnesses from the Courtroom;  
Preventing an Excluded Witness's Access to Trial Testimony**

**(a) Excluding Witnesses.** At a party's request, the court must order witnesses excluded **from the courtroom** 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)~~**(1)** a party who is a natural person;
- ~~(b)~~**(2)** ~~an~~ **one** officer or employee of a party that is not a natural person, ~~after being if that~~ **officer or employee has been** designated as the party's representative by its attorney;
- ~~(c)~~**(3)** ~~a~~ **any** person whose presence a party shows to be essential to presenting the party's claim or defense; or
- ~~(d)~~**(4)** a person authorized by statute to be present.

**(b) Additional Orders to Prevent Disclosing and Accessing Testimony.** An order under (a) operates only to exclude witnesses from the courtroom. But the court may also, by order:

- (1) prohibit disclosure of trial testimony to witnesses who are excluded from the courtroom;**
- and**
- (2) prohibit excluded witnesses from accessing trial testimony.**

**Rule 702. Testimony by Expert Witnesses**

A witness who is qualified as an expert by knowledge, skill, experience, training, or education may testify in the form of an opinion or otherwise if **the proponent demonstrates to the court that it is more likely than not that:**

- (a) the expert's scientific, technical, or other specialized knowledge will help the trier of fact to understand the evidence or to determine a fact in issue;
- (b) the testimony is based on sufficient facts or data;
- (c) the testimony is the product of reliable principles and methods; and
- (d) the ~~expert has reliably applied~~ **expert's opinion reflects a reliable application of** the principles and methods to the facts of the case.