

If there is more than one victim-survivor



Offender applies to the court for permanent name suppression

A court victim advisor or the Police will ask each victim-survivor in the case if they want to tell the judge if they think the offender should have permanent name suppression.



Take some time to think

Have a think about if you want to tell the judge what you think should happen. You do not have to do this if you don't want to.



Tell your court victim advisor or the Police if you think the offender should have permanent name suppression

After you've had some time to think, your court victim advisor or the Police will contact you to ask if you want to tell the judge what you think should happen. They will write this in a document for the judge to read.

Each victim-survivor will have this opportunity.



If all victim-survivors think the offender should not have permanent name suppression:

- The judge will decline the application.
- The offender **will not** have permanent name suppression.
- Their name **can** be published in the news and on social media.

If all victim-survivors think the offender should have permanent name suppression:

- The judge will take into account the views of victim-survivors and decide whether to give permanent name suppression or not.

If victim-survivors have different views on what should happen:

- The judge will take into account the views of victim-survivors and decide whether to give permanent name suppression or not.
- The judge can only give the offender permanent name suppression in connection with offending against the victim-survivors that think that the offender should have permanent name suppression.

If you, or any of the other victim-survivors do not want to give a view:

- The judge will take into account the views of victim-survivors who gave their view.
- The judge can only give the offender permanent name suppression in connection with offending against the victim-survivors that think that the offender should have permanent name suppression.
- The judge **will not** allow anything to be published that could identify any of the victim-survivors that did not want to give their view (or were unable to or could not be contacted).