

SO 1.82 Hearings on Grand Jury Proceedings.

All court hearings on motions to quash subpoenas, motions for protective orders, or other matters affecting grand jury proceedings prior to the indictment stage should be closed to the public and press. An exception to this practice of closure should be made in the case of contempt trials against recalcitrant witnesses or others, which would appear appropriate to be conducted in open court under the policy of **Richmond Newspapers, Inc. v. Virginia**, 448 U.S. 555 (1980).