

631.05 REQUIRING JUROR TO TESTIFY WHEN JUROR HAS PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE RESPECTING FACT IN CONTROVERSY; VIEW.

If a juror has personal knowledge respecting a fact in controversy in a cause, the juror shall declare it in open court during the trial. If during the retirement of a jury, a juror declares a fact which could be evidence in the cause, as of the juror's own knowledge, the jury shall return into court. In either of these cases, the juror making the statement shall be sworn as a witness and examined in the presence of the parties. The court may order a view by a jury impaneled to try a criminal case in accordance with rule 26.03, subdivision 10, of the Rules of Criminal Procedure.

History: (10709) *RL s 5362; 1979 c 233 s 41; 1985 c 265 art 11 s 1; 1986 c 444*