

**611A.0395 RIGHT TO INFORMATION REGARDING DEFENDANT'S APPEAL.**

Subdivision 1. **Prosecuting attorney to notify victims.** (a) The prosecuting attorney shall make a reasonable and good faith effort to provide to each affected victim oral or written notice of a pending appeal. This notice must be provided within 30 days of filing of the respondent's brief. The notice must contain a brief explanation of the contested issues or a copy of the brief, an explanation of the applicable process, information about scheduled oral arguments or hearings, a statement that the victim and the victim's family may attend the argument or hearing, and the name and telephone number of a person that may be contacted for additional information.

(b) In a criminal case in which there is an identifiable crime victim, within 15 working days of a final decision on an appeal, the prosecuting attorney shall make a reasonable and good faith effort to provide to each affected victim oral or written notice of the decision. This notice must include a brief explanation of what effect, if any, the decision has upon the judgment of the trial court and the name and telephone number of a person that may be contacted for additional information.

Subd. 2. **Exception.** The notices described in subdivision 1 do not have to be given to victims who have previously indicated a desire not to be notified.

**History:** 1997 c 239 art 7 s 23