

Rule 3331. Review of Special Prosecutions or Investigations.

(a) *General rule.*—Within the time specified in Rule 1512(b)(3) (special provisions), any of the following orders shall be subject to review pursuant to Chapter 15 (judicial review of governmental determinations):

(1) An order relating to the supersession of a district attorney by an Attorney General or by a court, or to the appointment, supervision, administration or operation of a special prosecutor.

(2) An order relating to the convening or discharge of an investigating grand jury or otherwise affecting its existence.

(3) An order entered in connection with the supervision, administration or operation of an investigating grand jury or otherwise directly affecting an investigating grand jury or any investigation conducted by it.

(4) An order enforcing or refusing to enforce a subpoena issued by or otherwise affecting the existence or operation of any investigating committee of the General Assembly.

(5) An order of the type specified in Paragraphs (1) through ~~[(5)]~~(4) of this subdivision which contains a statement by the lower court pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 702(b) (interlocutory appeals by permission). Chapter 13 (interlocutory appeals by permission) shall not be applicable to such an order.

The petition shall conform to Rule 123(a) (contents of application for relief) and any answer to the petition shall conform to Rule 1516(a) (general rule). A party entitled to file an answer under this rule who does not intend to do so shall, within the time fixed by these rules for the filing of an answer, file a letter stating that an answer to the petition for review will not be filed. Rule 1517 (applicable rules of pleading) through Rule 1551 (scope of review) shall not be applicable to a petition for review filed under this rule. Seven copies of any papers filed under this rule shall be filed with the original. Rule 3309 (applications for extraordinary relief) shall not be applicable to an order reviewable under this rule.

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