

Jury Questions¹

When the lawyers have finished questioning a witness, you may submit to me, in writing, any question you wish the witness to answer. I will review each such question. I may discuss the matter with the lawyers before deciding whether the witness should be required to answer it. If the question is to be asked, I will put it to the witness. I may decide that the question is not proper under the rules of evidence. Even if it is proper, you may not get an immediate answer. For example, a later witness, or an exhibit you are yet to see, may be going to answer the point later on.

¹ This should only be said after a juror has sought to question a witness or inquired about the jury's entitlement to do so; *R v Lo Presti* [1992] 1 VR 696 at 702.