

Interrogation of witnesses

**Article 139**

(10) (New, SG No. 63/2017, effective 5.11.2017) Interviews of witnesses with specific protection needs shall be conducted after measures have been taken to avoid contact with the accused party, including videoconferencing or telephone conferencing, in accordance with the provisions of this Code.

Appointment of court hearings outside court premises

**Article 262**

Where necessary, the court hearing or separate court actions shall be appointed to be held outside court premises.

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**Article 280**

(6) (New, SG No. 32/2010, effective 28.05.2010, supplemented, SG No. 63/2017, effective 5.11.2017) Any under age witness or witness with specific protection needs who has been interrogated in the course of the criminal proceedings may be interrogated again only where the witness's depositions cannot be read as per the conditions and the procedure laid down in Article 281, or where the new interrogation is crucial to discover the truth. The interrogation shall be conducted after measures have been taken to avoid contact with the defendant, including in specially equipped premises.

Reading out depositions of witnesses

**Article 281**

6. (supplemented, SG No. 63/2017, effective 5.11.2017) the witness is under age or has specific protection needs, and the accused party and the latter's defence counsel have attended the witness's interrogation.