



Judgment template for defended criminal hearings

1	The charge(s) – What are they? Use the language of statute
2	The legal ingredients of the charge(s) and the onus of proving the charge is on the prosecution (the standard of proof being beyond reasonable doubt)
3	Undisputed facts
4	Disputed facts and a resolution

5	Application of the law – apply the law from 2 to the facts in 3 and 4 (including “defences”)
6	Conclusion – Illustrating that each element of each charge has been proved or not proved, beyond reasonable doubt
7	Formal decision – Use wording of charge and “beyond reasonable doubt”