INDUSTRIAL COURT NEWSLETTER

November 2026 Newsletter of the Industrial Court

Industrial Court

Adjudicating on trade union recognition and collective bargaining issues

Headlines:



September

- The Chairman of the Industrial Court attended the 158th **Trades Union Congress (The TUC)** Annual Conference in Brighton as an invited guest.

- The Chairman of the Industrial Court was an invited guest and keynote speaker at the **Employers Federation** 160th anniversary conference.

October

- The Chairman of the Industrial Court attended the first Fair Work Assembly on the 5th of October 2026 hosted by the **Fair Work Agency**

- The Chairman of the Industrial Court joined other invited guests to celebrate 80 Years of the **The Labour Court (Ireland)** in Dublin.

November

- **The Industrial Court Explained - Podcast** from **Vibrant Workplace** with **Craig Thompson** and **Sarah Havlin**

WIDER INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS NEWS

Good Jobs Employment Bill - the Good Jobs Bill will not be proceeding to the Assembly for consideration in the current mandate. The proposed provisions on Trade Union access to workplaces in Northern Ireland will therefore not become law before the next elections in May 2027. It remains to be seen what happens to the Bill after May 2027, so watch this space...

Meanwhile in GB, Trade Union access rights are now embedded as of end October, and the new procedures for requesting and agreeing trade union access to workplaces in England Scotland and Wales are underway - Trade Union **Right of Access - Guidance**

IF YOU HAVE A WORKPLACE ISSUE RELATED TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, THE INDUSTRIAL COURT MAY BE ABLE TO HELP YOU.

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