



Appointment of Chairman of the Press Council of Ireland

The Press Council of Ireland provides the public with an independent forum for resolving complaints against the press and seeks to maintain standards in Irish journalism and journalistic ethics. It is comprised of 13 people, with a majority of seven independent members drawn from outside the press industry to include the chairman.

The Press Council of Ireland has been given statutory recognition by the Oireachtas under the terms of the 2009 Defamation Act.

Applications are invited for the position of Chairman of the Press Council of Ireland.

This position requires a respected individual of considerable standing and merit, endowed with firm principles of impartiality and equity. The successful candidate will be committed to the ideals of freedom of the press and the rights of citizens. He/she will be capable of representing the Council on sensitive issues and will be required to support the Office of the Press Ombudsman in its important role.

Applicants should be free of any involvement in the press industry which could pose a conflict of interest.

The chairman is appointed for a term of three years and may serve a maximum of two terms.

A letter outlining your suitability for this role, accompanied by a CV should be sent to:

The Chairman

Appointments Committee

The Press Council of Ireland

3 Westland Square

Pearse Street

Dublin 2

By 17.00 on Friday 25 March 2016.

The successful candidate will be appointed after an interview process by an independent Appointments Committee. The chairman is remunerated at a comparable level to chairmen of other public and/or regulatory bodies.