

Justice Media Awards 2023

Shortlisted entries



Category 1 - Print/Online Journalism (daily)

Ignoring the law - An Bord Pleanála, Telecommunications Masts, and a Search for Accountability
Cianan Brennan
Irish Examiner

Coroners Courts: Concern system is failing families
Mary Carolan
The Irish Times

Parole Board CEO: 'What keeps me from my sleep is not being able to contact a victim'
Liz Dunphy
Irish Examiner

"There is no other option"- Rise in legal cases being lodged as families demand answers over deaths of loved ones in nursing homes during the pandemic
Catherine Fegan
Irish Independent

Why is the high cost of insurance still a problem?
Will Goodbody
RTÉ

The End of Discretion for Gardaí: Strike out power is gone
John Lee
The Irish Daily Mail

The investigations into the attack on Irish peacekeepers in South Lebanon
Hannah McCarthy
The Irish Times

'Impunity emboldens' – the international team working to prosecute war
Naomi O'Leary
The Irish Times

The Enoch Burke case explained
Shane Phelan
Irish Independent

On the refugee bus to Ireland: 'I'm going so I can save my children's lives'
Jade Wilson
The Irish Times

Category 2 - Print/Online Journalism (Sunday)

An in-depth interview with Dublin solicitor Fred Logue on his battles with developers

Linda Daly
The Sunday Times (Ireland)

Blind Justice: How the justice system is leaving Travellers isolated and traumatised

Michelle Hennessy, Maria Delaney & Martin Beanz Warde
Noteworthy & The Journal

Shooting survivor speaks of facing her attackers in court and her life now in a wheelchair

Emma McMenemy
Sunday Mirror and Irish Mirror online

Cancer Screening: A legal dilemma

Daniel Murray
Business Post

Spiritans paid victims while abusers avoided authorities

Beau Donnelly, John Mooney & Patrick O'Donoghue
The Sunday Times (Ireland)

Policing big tech: How criticism of Ireland's record on handling data rule-breaking has hampered its EU regulatory role

Laura Roddy
The Sunday Times (Ireland)

Are cohabiting couples being let down by the law when a relationship ends?

Catherine Sanz
Business Post

ESB staff "asked developers for backhanders"

Mark Tighe
Sunday Independent

An investigation into Ireland's immigrant investor programme

Barry J Whyte
Business Post

Nimbys: Serial housing objectors or scapegoats?

Killian Woods
Business Post

Category 3 - Print/Online Journalism (local)

All it takes for evil to prosper

Siobhán Cronin
The Southern Star

Policing road traffic and transport related crimes

Claudia Dalby
Dublin Inquirer

Belturbet bombing remembered 50 years on

Seamus Enright
The Anglo-Celt

Disability activist Evelyne Cynk hoping to move to Ireland after accepting place on UCC

course
Ellen O'Regan
The Echo

Category 4 - Broadcast Journalism (radio – national)

Newstalk's Lunchtime Live explores the laws around mandatory sentencing

Heather Blackbyrne, Andrea Gilligan, Dee King & Ross Leahy
Newstalk

Today with Claire Byrne, Wills and Probate with Solicitor Elaine Byrne

Claire Byrne & Deirdre Ní Fhloinn
RTÉ Radio 1

Family court system 'not fit for purpose' - solicitor

Aisling Moloney
RTÉ Radio 1

Moving on from a conviction

Evelyn O'Rourke
RTÉ Radio 1

Category 5 - Broadcast Journalism (radio – local)

Making a Will, with solicitor Elaine Byrne - The 11 - 1 Show with Sinéad Brassil, LMFM

Sinéad Brassil
LMFM

Pandemic Justice: Joe Finnegan Show

Daniel Considine, Joe Finnegan & Kevin McDermott
Shannonside Northern Sound FM

Searching for Sandra

Fiona McGarry
Midwest Radio

Category 6 - Broadcast Journalism (podcast)

Advice on Wills with Solicitor Elaine Byrne

Sinéad Brassil
11 - 1 Show with Sinéad Brassil, LMFM

Will Enoch Burke get out of jail for Christmas?

Suzanne Brennan, Declan Conlon, Aideen Finnegan & Conor Pope
The Irish Times / In the News podcast

The Indo Daily: The Graham Dwyer appeal - could Elaine O'Hara's killer walk free?

Mary Carroll, Tabitha Monahan, Shane Phelan, John Smith & Fionnán Sheahan
Mediahuis Ireland - Independent.ie

Lawfare and legal threats: Caoilfhionn Gallagher KC on defending pro-democracy campaigners around the world

Neville Cox, Carolyn Goulden & Catherine Sanz
Law on Trial, Business Post

RTÉ Documentary On One: Murder At La Mancha

Tim Desmond, Patrick Dunne & Liam O'Brien
RTÉ Radio 1

The Explainer x Noteworthy: Are migrant fishers exploited in Ireland?

Laura Byrne, Susan Daly, Maria Delaney & Geela Garcia
Noteworthy

The humane approach ethos that allows people to reach their potential within the Irish Prison Service

Seán Downey, James Leonard & Timothy Long
The Two Norries Podcast

RTÉ Documentary on One: The Taliban and Me

Hannah McCarthy
RTÉ Radio 1

Horsehair Wigs Episode Two

Evelyn McClafferty
Irish Rule of Law International

GUBU

Harry McGee & Enda O'Dowd
The Irish Times

Category 7 - Broadcast Journalism (TV/video)

Ireland's housing crisis

Ciaran Bradley & Mostafa Darwish
Irish Mirror

O'Connell Street – Spiralling

Richard Downes, Shirley Bradshaw, Fran McNulty, Oisín McGreal & Matt Naughton *Prime Time, RTÉ*

Survivors' Voices

Gwyneth Jones, Denise O'Connor, Lyndsey Telford & Chris Thornton
BBC Northern Ireland

RTÉ Investigates Fr Molloy: New Evidence

Paul Murphy, Matt Naughton, Doireann O'Hara, Hugh Ormond, Mark Siung & Janet Traynor
RTÉ

Christian Brothers: Denial

Rita O'Reilly
Prime Time, RTÉ

Category 8 - Court Reporting (print/online)

TDs case over CETA shines light on contentious investor courts system

Mary Carolan
The Irish Times

Gerry Hutch murder trial

Michael Doyle
The Irish Sun

Death in prison: loss and learnings

Liz Dunphy
Irish Examiner

Judge condemns online abuse in dog bite case

James Fogarty
Roscommon Herald

Every Day is Judgement Day in Cork Courthouse

Sarah Horgan
The Echo

The Regency Murder Trial

Sean Murray
Irish Examiner

The Enoch Burke case explained

Shane Phelan
Irish Independent

Unlawful court order used to take children away from their mother in tug-of-love case

Shane Phelan
Irish Independent

Debts, challenges, and an alleged breach of trust: Explaining the intricacies of the personal insolvency system

Catherine Sanz
Business Post

Peat's Sake: Why have authorities failed to tackle unlicensed industrial peat extraction?

Niall Sargent
Noteworthy

Web of Lies

Mark Tighe
Sunday Independent

Category 9 - Court Reporting (broadcast)

In the line of duty

Daniel Considine
Shannonside FM

In contempt: key developments in the Enoch Burke case

Nicole Gernon
Virgin Media

Cruel Garda jailed for coercive control

Frank Greaney
Today FM

Jonathan Dowdall takes the stand

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State witness Johnathan Dowdall takes the stand

Deborah Naylor
Virgin Media News

Category 10 - Human Rights/Social Justice Reporting (print/online)

Homeless prisoners: 'It was better to be in prison than on the streets'

Shauna Bowers
The Irish Times

Blind Justice: How the justice system is leaving Travellers isolated and traumatised

Maria Delaney, Michelle Hennessy & Martin Beanz Warde
Noteworthy & The Journal

Dark days of 1970's recalled as plans for disregard of homosexuality convictions gains momentum

Catherine Fegan
Irish Independent

'The State destroyed a woman's family; her son pieced it back together again'

Clodagh Finn
Irish Examiner

After Coming Here Without His Parents Looking for Safety, a Migrant Child Is Left to Live Alone Among Adults

Shamim Malekmian
Dublin Inquirer

A 'dystopian hellscape': How China created modern-day concentration camps for its ethnic minorities

Peter O'Dwyer
Business Post

Category 11 – Human Rights/Social Justice Reporting (broadcast)

Redacted Lives

Christine Bohan, Daragh Brophy, Sinéad O'Carroll, Nicky Ryan & Órla Ryan
The Journal

Police, WhatsApp & Whistleblowers

Guy Grandjean, Gwyneth Jones, Mandy McAuley & Chris Thornton
BBC Northern Ireland

RTÉ Documentary On One: Blackrock Boys

Seán Mac Giolla Phádraig, David Nally & Liam O'Brien
RTÉ Radio 1

Giving a voice to women living under threat

Aisling Moloney
Morning Ireland, RTÉ Radio 1

Christian Brothers: Denial

Rita O'Reilly
Prime Time, RTÉ

Category 12 – Environmental Law/Climate Justice Reporting

The Derrybrien wind farm saga

Louise Byrne & Philip Gallagher
Prime Time, RTÉ

Government has to keep emissions within the parameters of the Climate Action Plan 2021

Claudia Dalby
Dublin Inquirer

Corporate Ireland talks about climate targets, but how do we assess their progress?

Caoimhe Gordon
Irish Independent

Factory Farm

Niall Sargent
Noteworthy

Category 13 – International Justice Reporting

The Explainer: How have abortion laws changed in the US since Roe V Wade was overturned?

Aoife Barry, Michelle Hennessy & Nicky Ryan
The Explainer Podcast, The Journal

Treatment instead of Punishment: Judge Ginger Lerner-Wren describes the genesis and structure of what has become America's first Mental Health Court

Sean Downey, James Leonard & Timothy Long,
The Two Norries Podcast

“As long as I have fight in me, I will try to get justice for my Magdalene hell”

Catherine Fegan
Irish Independent

The Imprisonment of Bernard Phelan

Conor Gallagher
The Irish Times

The Taliban and Me

Hannah McCarthy
RTÉ Documentary on One

The Seán Binder trial

Stephen McDermott
The Journal

From Russia with Blood

Jim Fitzpatrick, Denise O'Connor, Chris Thornton & Gwyneth Jones
BBC Northern Ireland

A ‘dystopian hellscape’: How China created modern-day concentration camps for its ethnic minorities

Peter O'Dwyer
Business Post

Council of Europe challenges Britain over Troubles amnesty Bill

Naomi O'Leary
The Irish Times

Grenfell Tower Inquiry coverage

Barry J Whyte
Business Post

Category 14 – Newcomer of the Year

Tadhg McNally

The Journal

Patrick O'Donoghue

The Sunday Times (Ireland)

Ellen O'Regan

The Echo

Roman Shortall

The Ditch

Category 15 – Student Journalism

The Right to Protesting and Housing

Caoimhe Looney

FlirtFM

FactCheck: Is the protocol stopping Jewish people in the North from practising their religion

Emer Moreau

The Journal