



**Morrish Solicitors partner with Napo to offer members a dedicated legal service.**

Morrish Solicitors is the new legal partner for Napo offering circa 8,000 members a bespoke legal service, including a dedicated helpdesk, offering support and advice on a variety of legal services.

With offices across West Yorkshire, Morrish Solicitors is renowned for its partnerships with trade unions, working closely with the Transport Salaried Staffs' association (TSSA) and Equity to name a few. The partnership will include predominantly employment and personal injury services for members but also family law, medical negligence, private client, property services and dispute resolution.

Senior Partner at the firm, Paul Scholey said;

*"We are absolutely delighted to create a new working partnership with Napo and its members. We are proud to provide services to many thousands of union members across the UK and look forward to extending that representation by introducing a holistic Helpdesk and legal advice service for Napo in the coming months."*

Napo is the trade union and professional association representing over 8,000 members working in probation and family courts. Helping members of all grades and roles in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, Napo are also affiliated to the Trade Union Congress (TUC) and the General Federation of Trade Unions taking part in wider campaigns for justice and protection of the public sector

Ian Lawrence Napo General Secretary said:

*"We think this exciting new partnership with Morrish will give Napo members, their families, and our local representatives, the best available support from any union in the UK."*

*When we were looking to re-tender our legal support package we wanted to explore ways of building on our already well established offer to members. Our National Executive Committee were confident what Morrish offered gave us what we need now and moving forward."*

*It is important our members can get access to good advice and support as soon as they need it. Setting up a single point of entry and members' helpdesk staffed by trained employment law specialists is an exciting improvement. Backed up by a further Rep helpline and aligned to the wider legal support available for members and their families we will be able to offer a faster, more comprehensive service to members."*

*All this will sit alongside improvements to Napo communications and IT which will give members improved access to news about bargaining and our activities as a professional association. The Officer Group and I think that this is the start of an exciting time for Napo members following the Government's recent u-turn on Probation services and growing awareness of the need for greater resources in our Family Court areas."*

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**Morrish Solicitors LLP** has worked with the Trade Union movement for over 100 years and offer quality legal services to private individuals, Trade Unions and their members. Services include:

- Personal injury, including catastrophic injury, occupational illness and asbestos disease claims
- Employment rights and industrial relations
- Medical negligence claims
- Professional negligence claims
- Matrimonial and family law
- Elderly client, wills, probate and estate planning
- Property and conveyancing
- Trade union rule book and constitutional matters

It has over 65 employees, with offices across West Yorkshire.