## THE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL COURT AND SETTLEMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES IN NIGERIA

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## **ABSTRACT**

In any relationship (including employer and employee), disputes cannot be ruled out. In fact, there has been an astronomical increase in the number of employment law cases in recent times in Nigeria as compared to the situation in the past. The government cannot afford to allow trade disputes to be afflicted by the problem of delay in the administration of justice, with which regular courts in Nigeria are characterized considering the adverse effects it will surely have on the economic interests of the country. This, among others, precipitated finding a way out when Nigeria toed the line of some advanced countries by establishing a specialized court called the National Industrial Court (NIC). The article examines the powers, jurisdiction and composition of the National Industrial Court of Nigeria.