

O'Riordan nanny speaks of distress

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O'Riordan - Being sued

The childminder suing singer Dolores O'Riordan and her husband Don Burton has told the High Court that it was hard to find words to convey how upsetting her experience with the couple had been.

Joy Fahy from Moyleggan, Batterstown Co Meath broke down when she revealed how she was never given the opportunity to say goodbye to the couple's 18-month-old son Taylor.

Fahy continued her evidence in the High Court today, describing what she called the bizarre lifestyle of rock couple Dolores O'Riordan and Don Burton.

In their Canadian house she said that O'Riordan was behaving strangely, ironing continuously, sometimes the same items over and over again.

This could go on for hours, she said. Meanwhile downstairs her husband Don Burton would be drinking.

Fahy, who is suing the couple for breach of contract and false imprisonment, is claiming she was fired from her job, after less than two months and back in Ireland had difficulty gaining access to her property, including her horse Fern.

She claims she suffered depression and stress as a result of her experience.

Under cross-examination, Bill Shipsey for the couple challenged her evidence, saying events she described did not happen.

Shipsey has also accused Fahy of signing on for dole payments in Ireland while working in London for supermodel and actress Elle MacPherson.

Fahy said the money had continued to be deposited in her bank without her knowledge after she took up employment and she was in the process of sorting out her affairs.

He said that Fahy's allegations will be denied by O'Riordan and her husband; O'Riordan's mother Eileen and Burton's mother Elenor Murdoch.

The case continues on Tuesday.

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