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# Harrison, Gabrielle Mary

(1964 - )

Nationality	Australian
Born	1 January, 1964, Darlinghurst New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Parliamentarian, Politician

## Summary

Gabrielle Harris was a successful politician whose career was surprisingly short. An ALP candidate, she was elected to the New South Wales Legislative Assembly for Parramatta in the 1994 bi-election. She was re-elected in 1995 and 1999 and served as the Minister for Sport and Recreation during this time. She retired from all political work in 2003.

#### **Details**

Gabrielle Harrison was born in Darlinghurst and grew up in Pennant Hills. She is a graduate from Macquarie University (BA) and was Chairperson of the Macquarie University Students Council.

Harrison joined the ALP in 1983 and was active at a local level as an executive member of the Young Labor Organisation. In 1985 she married Andrew Ziolkowski (deceased 12 April 1994) and the pair had one son, Tristan.

Harrison replaced her husband as the Member for Parramatta following his early death, and served in this post until 2003.

She is now married to Ron Bonham.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

Putting Skirts on the Sacred Benches: Women Candidates for the New South Wales Parliament, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2006,

http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/pssb/home.html

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