# The Australian Women's Register

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## Petersen, Alicia Teresa Jane O'Shea

(1862 - 1923)

Born	18620702, Broadmarsh Tasmania Australia
Died	19230122, Tasmania
Occupation	Political candidate

### Summary

Alicia Petersen grew up in a small rural community in Tasmania, and worked in the clothing industry. She was a speaker for the Citizens' Social and Moral Reform League in 1906, and a member of the Women's Political Association, but maintained a non-party stance. Petersen was a founder and life-president of the Australian Women's Association, and the first woman in Tasmania to stand as a political candidate. In 1913 she contested the federal seat of Denison but her campaign was sabotaged by the press. She stood again, unsuccessfully, in 1922.

#### Published resources

#### **Edited Book**

200 Australian Women: A Redress Anthology, Radi, Heather, 1988, <a href="https://webarchive.nla.gov.au/awa/20071105022623/http://pandora.nla.gov.au/pan/78644/20071105-1315/www.200australianwo

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