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Rosanove, Joan Mavis

(1896 - 1974)

Born	18960511, Ballarat Victoria Australia
Died	19740408, Frankston Victoria Australia
Occupation	Barrister, Lawyer, Queen's Counsel, Solicitor

Summary

Joan Rosanove completed her legal studies at the University of Melbourne, and was admitted to practice as a barrister and solicitor in June 1919. In 1923 she became the first woman in Victoria to sign the Victorian Bar roll. The bulk of her work was in criminal and matrimonial cases. Rosanove was appointed Q.C. in 1965, and took silk in New South Wales two years later. She made a significant contribution to legal reform, particularly as it concerned the status of women.

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