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## Gotto, Ainsley

(1946 - 2018)

<b>Born</b>	19460214, Brisbane Queensland Australia
<b>Died</b>	20180225, Woollahra, SydneyWoollahra, Sydney New South Wales Australia
<b>Occupation</b>	Businesswoman, Interior designer, Public servant, Secretary, Stenographer

### Details

Ainsley Gotto completed a stenography course at Canberra Technical College in 1961. In 1968 she as appointed principal private secretary to then Prime Minister John Gorton. She remained working for Gorton until 1972, when she took up a position at Drake International. She remained with the company until 1978. After this time Gotto worked in television in addition to various other business ventures, including an interior design consultancy and her own company, Ainsley Gotto International. For a time, Ainsley was the national president of the Australian chapter of Women Chiefs of Enterprises International.

### Archival resources

#### National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection

[Papers of Ainsley Gotto, circa 1940-2013 \[manuscript\]](#)

[Papers of Cyril and Paddy Pearl, 1853-2009 \[manuscript\]](#)

#### National Library of Australia, Oral History and Folklore Collection

[Ainsley Gotto interviewed by Jenny Clameister, Peter Barlow and Bob Cribb in the John Gorton collection](#)

#### National Library of Australia

[\[Biographical cuttings on Ainsley Gotto, containing one or more cuttings from newspapers or journals\]](#)

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