# The Australian Women's Register

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# Troeth, Judith

(1940 -)

**Born** 3 August, 1940, Brighton Victoria Australia

**Occupation** Farmer, Parliamentarian, Teacher

#### Summary

A member of the Liberal Party of Australia, Judith Troeth was elected as a Senator for Victoria in the Parliament of Australia in 1993. She was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy from October 1997 until October 1998, when she moved to become Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry. She held that position until October 2004. She retired at the 2010 federal election, but remained in the Senate until her term expired on 30 June 2011.

#### **Details**

The daughter of Keith Malcolm and Eileen Mary Ralston, Judith Troeth was educated at Methodist Ladies College, Kew. She completed a Bachelor of Arts and a Diploma of Education at Melbourne University.

Before entering Parliament she worked as a teacher as well as being an active partner in the family farm. She was Parliamentary Secretary to the Shadow Minister for Employment, Training and Family Services from 26 May 1994 to 11 March 1996; Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy from 9 October 1997 to 21 October 1998 as well as being a member of various parliamentary committees.

Senator Judith Troeth has five children and enjoys films, theatre, reading and bushwalking.

#### **Events**

#### 1994 - 1997

Member of the Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committee for Employment, Education and Training: Legislation Committee

#### 1994 - 1997

Member of the Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committee for Employment, Education and Training: References Committee

#### 1994 - 1996

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport: References Committee

#### 1996 - 1997

Member of the Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committee for Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade: References Committee

#### 1994 - 1995

Member of the Senate Select: Land Fund Bill Committee

#### 1995 - 1995

Member of the Senate Select: Certain Land Fund Matters

#### 1996 - 1997

Member of the Senate Select: Community Standards Relevant to the Supply of Services Utilising Electronic Technologies

#### 1996 - 1996

Member of the Senate Select: Victorian Casino Inquiry

#### 1993 - 1994

Member of the Senate Estimates: A Committee

#### 1994 - 1994

Member of the Senate Estimates: E Committee

#### 2012 - 2012

Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

#### 1997 - 1997

Member of the Joint Standing: Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

#### 1995 - 1995

Member of the Parliamentary Delegation to the United States of America and Canada

#### 1999 - 1999

Official visit to Singapore, Taiwan, Japan and Korea

#### 1982 - 1991

Liberal Party Branch President

#### 1985 - 1992

Member of the Liberal Party Policy Assembly and State Rural Committees

#### 1988 - 1992

Member of the Liberal Party Administrative Committee (Vic.)

#### 1989 - 1992

Country Vice-President of the Liberal Pary (Vic.)

#### 1991 - 1992

Chair of the State Strategy Committee (Vic)

#### 1996 - 2002

Chair of the Federal Liberal Regional and Rural Committee

#### 1993 - 1996

Member of the Joint Statutory: National Crime Authority

#### 1996 - 1997

Member of the Joint Standing: Migration Committee

#### 1994 - 1996

Participating member, Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade: Legislation Committee

#### 1996 - 1996

Participating member, Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade: References Committee

#### 1996 - 1996

Participating member, Economics: References Committee

#### 1997 - 1998

Federal Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy

#### 1994 - 1996

Federal Parltiamentary Secretary to Shadow Minister for Employment, Training and Family Services

#### 1996 - 1997

Chairman of the Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation committee

#### 1998 - 1998

Federal Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

#### 1993 - 1996

Member of the Senate Standing Committee for Scrutiny of Bills

#### 1994 - 1996

Chair of the Senate Standing Committee for Scrutiny of Bills

#### 1993 - 1994

Member of the Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committee for Community Affairs

#### 1994 - 1996

Participating member, Community Affairs: Legislation Committee

#### 1994 - 1994

Member of the Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committee for Community Affairs: References Committee

#### 1993 - 1993

Member of the Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committee for Rural and Regional Affairs

#### Published resources

#### **Edited Book**

Who's Who in Australia 2002, Herd, Margaret, 2002

#### **Resource Section**

The Hon. Judith Troeth, Senator for Victoria, Australian Parliament House,

http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/senators/homepages

Senator Hon Judith Troeth: Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Victorian Liberal Party,

http://www.vic.liberal.org.au/

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Rook

So Many Firsts: Liberal Women from Enid Lyons to the Turnbull Era, Fitzherbert, Margaret, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

The Encyclopedia of Women and Leadership in Twentieth-Century Australia, Smart, Judith and Swain, Shurlee (eds.), 2014,

http://www.womenaustralia.info/leaders

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