

# The Australian Women's Register

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## O’Neil, Pamela Frances

(1945 - )

Born	20 September, 1945, Brisbane Queensland Australia
Occupation	Feminist, Tribunal Member

Summary

Pamela O’Neil was Australia’s first Sex Discrimination Commissioner.

## Events

### **1977 - 1983**

Member Legislative Assembly, Australian Labor Party, for Fannie Bay, Northern Territory

### **1992 - 1993**

President of the Royal Institute of Public Administration, ACT Division

### **1991 - 1993**

Member of the Executive Committee, Australian Institute Administrative Law

### **1992 - 1992**

Member of the Committee for the Review of the System of Review of Migration Decisions

### **2045 - 2045**

Born: daughter of John Patrick and Lurline Margaret Patfield Caffery

### **1998 - 1998**

Visiting Scholar of the Centre for International and Public Law at the Australian National University

### **1963 - 1965**

Attended Queensland University

### **1966 - 1969**

Biochemist with the Commonwealth Health Laboratory, Darwin

### **1983 - 1983**

Appointed, Northern Territory representative to the CSIRO Committee on Information and Social Impact

### **1996 - 2009**

Senior Member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, ACT

### **1996 - 1998**

Chairperson of the Migration Agents Licensing Board

### **1996 - 1999**

Member of the National Native Title Tribunal

### **1989 - 1995**

Principal Member of the Immigration Review Tribunal

### **1989 - 1989**

Director of the Australian Heritage Commission

### **1984 - 1988**

Commonwealth Sex Discrimination Commissioner

### **1986 - 1988**

Member of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

### **1996 - 1997**

Head of the Commonwealth Paedophile Inquiry

### **1981 - 1983**

Deputy Opposition Leader, Northern Territory

### **1958 - 1962**

Attended All Hallows' School, Queensland

## Published resources

### **Edited Book**

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

### **Resource**

Where are the Women in Australian science?, Australian Science and Technology Heritage Centre, 2003,  
<http://www.austehc.unimelb.edu.au/wisa/wisa.html>

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### **Site Exhibition**

From Lady Denman to Katy Gallagher: A Century of Women's Contributions to Canberra, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2013,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/ldkg>

## Archival resources

### **National Archives of Australia, National Office, Canberra**

[Personalities - Bob Hawke - With Sex Discrimination Commissioner, Pam O'Neill, 1984](#)

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