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Entry ID: Person AWE1359

Beckett, Mary Jane

(1931 -)

Nationality	Australian
Born	1 January, 1931, Burnley Lancashire United Kingdom
Occupation	Executive secretary, Political candidate

Summary

A once-only candidate in an unwinnable seat of Redfern in 1959 for the Liberal Party. Mary Jane Beckett was Executive Secretary of Montefiore Home in Hunters Hill.

Details

Mary Beckett migrated to Australia c. 1952 with her parents and two siblings. She joined the Young Liberals in 1952, having previously been a member of the British Young Conservatives, and showed her loyalty to the party by standing for election in a very safe ALP seat.

Published resources

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Site Exhibition

Putting Skirts on the Sacred Benches: Women Candidates for the New South Wales Parliament, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2006,

http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/pssb/home.html

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