

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE0830

## Murray, Kemerer Anne

(1932 - 2013)

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<b>Born</b>	28 January, 1932, Adelaide South Australia Australia
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<b>Died</b>	31 December, 2013
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<b>Occupation</b>	Judge, Lawyer
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### Summary

Kemerer Murray attended Adelaide University, graduating in 1953 in Law and 1954 in Arts. She studied piano under Raymond O'Connell while doing articles at Vaughan, Porter and English, a well known South Australian Law firm. After being admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of South Australia she transferred to Brian Magarey and was offered a partnership, making her the first married woman to be offered a partnership in South Australia. In 1973 she was offered a position on the Bench with the District Court of South Australia, thus becoming the second woman judge in South Australia. A member of the Flinders University Council, in 1978 she was appointed to the Advisory Council for Inter-Government Relations.

### Events

#### 1980 - 1984

Member of the Commonwealth Advisory Council of Inter-Government Relations

#### 1980 - 1986

Member of the Board of Management at Flinders Medical Centre

#### 1978 - 1992

Member of the Church of England Commission of Social Responsibilities

#### 1986 - 1992

Chairman of the Church of England Commission of Women's Issues

#### 1975 - 1978

Chairman of the Church of England Commission of Marriage

#### 1975 - 1975

Chairman South Australian Community Welfare Advisory Committee of Non-Accidental Injury to Children

#### 1975 - 1976

Chairman of the Interim Bread Industry Authority

#### 1974 - 1996

Council member of Flinders University, South Australia

#### 1973 - 1976

Judge at the District Court, South Australia

#### 1956 - 1973

Partnership with Giles Magarey & Lloyd, South Australia

#### 1955 - 1955

Admitted Barrister and Solicitor with the South Australian Supreme Court



**1998 - 1999**

Chairman of the Commonwealth Club

**1999 - 1999**

Companion of the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund

**1984 - 1996**

Representative Governor of the Flinders Medical Research Foundation

**1984 - 1988**

Member of the Management committee at the Institute of Study Learning Difficulties

**1982 - 1985**

Chairman of the Sex Discrimination Board, South Australia

**1982 - 1982**

Member of the Diocesan Committee of Society Questions

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**1997 - 1997**

Companion at Flinders University, South Australia

**2055 - 2055**

Married Eric Murray, they had 2 children

**1977 - 1977**

Awarded Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal

**1995 - 1995**

Appointed Dame Commander Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem

**1976 - 1976**

Judge of the Family Court of Australia, Adelaide Registry

**1982 - 1982**

Judge Administrator of the Adelaide Registry

**1996 - 2000**

Alternate Chairman of the Helpmann Academy

**1995 - 1996**

Alternate Chairman of the Media Council of Australia for the Alcoholic Beverages Advertising Code Council

**1994 - 1994**

Member of the Multicultural Forum of the South Australian Government

**1988 - 1988**

Governor of the Medical Foundation at the University of Adelaide

## Published resources

### Conference Paper

Children and the courts : ideals and reality, Murray, K. A. (Kemerer Ann), 1932-, 1975

### Report

Report of the Community Welfare Advisory Committee Enquiry into Non-accidental Physical Injuries to Children in South Australia., South Australia. Community Welfare Advisory Committee

### Newspaper Article

I feel fulfilled administering justice, Lloyd, Paul, 2002

### Edited Book

Who's Who in Australia 2003, De Micheli, Catherine and Herd, Margaret, 2003

Who's Who of Australian Women, Lofthouse, Andrea, 1982

### Book

Greater than their knowing: a glimpse of South Australian women 1836-1986, National Council of Women of South Australia, 1986

### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Site Exhibition

Australian Women Lawyers as Active Citizens, Trailblazing Women Lawyers Project Team, 2016,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/lawyers>

## Archival resources

### State Library of South Australia

Interview with Kemerer Murray [sound recording] Interviewer: Yvonne Abbott

### National Library of Australia

[Biographical cuttings on Kemerer Murray. Justice, Judge of the Family Court of Australia, containing one or more cuttings from newspapers or journals]

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