

The Australian Women's Register

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Ferrara, Margaret Louise

Nationality Australian

Occupation Medical researcher, Veterinary scientist

Summary

Margaret Ferrara is a high achieving scientist who ran for election only once. She was an Australian Democrats candidate in the New South Wales Legislative Assembly for Baulkham Hills in 1999.

Details

Margaret Ferrara was born in Sydney and educated at Hornsby Girls' High School and St George Girls' High School. She graduated B.V.Sc. From Sydney University in 1975 and set up in private practice at Campsie. After 10 years she sold her practice in order to spend time with her two daughters and pursue her Ph.D. study.

In 1990, she left veterinary science for medical research, specifically a collaborative project between Westmead Hospital and Adelaide Women's and Children's Hospital. When the research grant ended, she went to work for a large multinational veterinary vaccine company.

Margaret has many interests outside politics. She has successfully bred and showed dogs, writes poetry and paints.

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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