

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Gadiel, Tanya Rachelle

(1972 - )

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**Nationality** Australian

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**Born** 21 November, 1972, Cessnock New South Wales Australia

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**Occupation** Lawyer, Politician

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### Summary

An ALP candidate, Tanya Rachelle Gadiel was elected to the New South Wales Legislative Assembly for Parramatta in 2003. She was re-elected in 2007, but retired before the 2011 election. She served as Deputy Speaker in the Christina Keneally Labor Government.

### Details

Tanya Gadiel was educated at public schools including Cessnock High School, and was the first person in her family to travel overseas or go to university (BA, LLB). She was a Rotary exchange student to South Africa.

“Her career history includes: Industrial Officer Australian Workers’ Union NSW branch Organiser Communications Electrical and Plumbing Union (Postal and Telecommunications), Policy advisor and chief of staff to Michael Costa Minister for Police, Elected member for Parramatta 2003, Member Committee on Health Care Complaints Commission.

Tanya married Michael Gadiel and had one daughter.

### Published resources

#### Resource

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#### Site Exhibition

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