

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person

**Entry ID:** AWE4016

## Pfitzner, Bernice

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**Occupation** Medical practitioner, Parliamentarian

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### Summary

A member of the Liberal Party of Australia, Bernice Pfitzner filled a casual vacancy in the Legislative Council of the Parliament of South Australia in 1990. An emigrant from Singapore and a medical practitioner by profession she was the second person of Chinese descent to be elected to the South Australian parliament. She was defeated at the 1997 election.

### Published resources

#### Sound recording

Interview with Dr the Hon Bernice Pfitzner, medical practitioner and Member of the Legislative Council, Pfitzner, Bernice, 1996,

<http://protocat.nla.gov.au/Search/Home?lookfor=author:%22Pfitzner||%20Bernice%22&iknowwhatimean=1>

#### Edited Book

Insight, courage & purpose : potential unlimited : proceedings of the conference [Non-English Cultural Background (NECB) International Women's Conference (Adelaide :, 1994)], Pfitzner, Bernice, 1995

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Archival resources

#### State Library of South Australia

[Women in Politics: A Forum in the Centenary Year of Women's Suffrage \[sound recording\]](#)

#### National Library of Australia, Oral History and Folklore Collection

[Bernice Pfitzner interviewed by Diana Giese for the Post-war Chinese Australians oral history project \[sound recording\]](#)

### Author Details

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