

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Mahlab, Eve

(1937 - )

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**Born** 1 January, 1937, Vienna Austria

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**Occupation** Businesswoman, Lawyer, Philanthropist, Women's rights activist

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### Summary

A lawyer by training, Eve Mahlab is a successful businesswoman who has worked to improve the lives of women in Australia. A member of the Co-ordinating committee of the Women's Electoral Lobby in Victoria from 1972-1976, and again after 1980, she was a member of the Victorian Government Committee of Inquiry into the Status of Women from 1975-76. She was an active member of the Liberal Party, having stood for pre-selection unsuccessfully on a number of occasions. She was named Businesswoman of the Year in 1982 and in 1998 was awarded an Order of Australia in the Officer category for 'service to government, business and the community, particularly to women'. In 2001 she was awarded a Centenary Medal 'for service to the community through business and commerce'.

Eve Mahlab was interviewed by Kim Rubenstein for the Trailblazing Women and the Law Oral History Project. For details of the interview see the National Library of Australia [CATALOGUE RECORD](#).

### Events

#### 2001 - 2001

Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

### Published resources

#### Edited Book

Australian Feminism: A Companion, Caine, Barbara, Gatens, Moira et al., 1998

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

The Encyclopedia of Women and Leadership in Twentieth-Century Australia, Smart, Judith and Swain, Shurlee (eds.), 2014,

<http://www.womenaustralia.info/leaders>

Australian Women Lawyers as Active Citizens, Trailblazing Women Lawyers Project Team, 2016,

<http://www.womenaustralia.info/lawyers>

#### Book

Making women count : a history of the Women's Electoral Lobby in Australia, Sawyer, Marian, 2008

#### Resource Section

Law, Kerwin, Hollie and Rubenstein, Kim, 2014,

<http://www.womenaustralia.info/leaders/biogs/WLE0624b.htm>

## Archival resources

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

[Eve Mahlab interviewed by Kim Rubenstein in the Trailblazing women and the law pilot oral history project \[sound recording\]](#)

### **National Library of Australia**

[\[Biographical cuttings on Eve Mahlab, businesswoman and director of Westpac, containing one or more cuttings from newspapers or journals\]](#)

### **National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection**

[Papers of Eve Mahlab, 1951-2010 \(bulk 1972-2010\) \[manuscript\]](#)

## Author Details

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## Digital resources



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