

The Australian Women's Register

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Glynn, Leone Carmel

Occupation Commissioner, Judge, Lawyer, Librarian

Summary

Justice Glynn was educated at St Ursula's College, Armidale and then completed a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Sydney. She then studied and completed the Barristers' Admission Board exams, before being admitted to the Bar in NSW in 1964. She went on to become the Librarian in Chief for the New South Wales Supreme Court Library and the New South Wales Industrial Commission Library. She also achieved a Master of Science from Columbia University. In 1975 she became the first woman appointed to the office of Commissioner in the Industrial Relations Commission of New South Wales.

On 14 April 1980 her Honour was appointed as a judge of the Industrial Commission of New South Wales becoming the first woman in New South Wales, and one of the first women in Australia, to be appointed as a judge of a superior court of record.

Her Honour was known for her compassion, attention to detail and dedication to the proper performance of her office. Whilst she heard many different kinds of cases in her time on the bench, her Honour will be particularly remembered for her important work in the Pay Equity Inquiry during 1997 and 1998. Her Honour's report to the Minister set the important framework for future consideration in industrial cases dealing with differences between the rates of pay of men and women in the State of New South Wales. Her Honour retired on 8 December 2003 following 27 years of dedicated service.

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