# The Australian Women's Register

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# **Abortion Law Reform Association**

Occupation Social support organisation

# Summary

The Abortion Law Reform Association (ALRA) was formed in response to the deaths from the widespread practice of back-yard and self-induced abortion caused by unwanted pregnancies. The Association was campaigning to put an end to the legislation in Australia which enforced abortion as illegal. In Canberra the ALRA was established by Beryl Henderson. Julia Freebury was the Sydney convenor in 1972.

# Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

# Archival resources

# The University of Melbourne Archives

Abortion Law Reform Association - Victoria

#### **Mitchell and Dixson Libraries Manuscripts Collection**

<u>Julia Freebury - papers, mainly concerning the campaign for abortion on request, including the records of the Abortion Law Repeal Association, together with related material, 1964-1984.</u>

State Library of New South Wales - Julia Freebury interviewed by Rosemary Block about her participation in the Abortion Law Reform Association (N.S.W.), 1991

Welcome Institute for the History of Medicine, London - Contemporary Medical Archives Centre - Miscellaneous Collections relating to Australia and New Zealand, 1902-1984

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