

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Records of the Women's Electoral Lobby, 1952-2010 [manuscript]

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### Details

The records of MS 3683 comprise correspondence, 1972-1988; financial records, 1978-1989; Women's Electoral Lobby (WEL) national conference records, 1973-1982; records relating to WEL involvement in other conferences such as the National Women's Tax Summit, National Agenda for Women Conference and the United Nations Decade for Women; records relating to WEL activities such as lobbying federal parliamentarians, the production of the WEL national bulletin, submissions and press releases; and, subject files on a wide range of WEL interests including childcare, affirmative action, equal employment opportunity, the Family Law Act, maternity leave, wages and the Sex Discrimination Act. The collection also includes a small quantity of records of the Women's Electoral Lobby (ACT) and the Women's Centre Inc. (63 boxes).??The Acc98.302 instalment comprises additional records of the Women's Electoral Lobby (20 boxes).??The Acc99.169 instalment comprises further records of the Women's Electoral Lobby (7 cartons).??The Acc10.116 instalment comprises records that are categorised as follows: WEL in the media; WEL Australia (National) archive; WEL submissions; WEL ACT (Australian Capital Territory); and Women's Liberation. WEL in the media comprises news cuttings. A substantial portion of the WEL Australia records consists of research and working papers on women's issues and legislation relating to women, such as affirmative action, casual and part-time workers, childbirth, contraception, abortion, divorce, domestic violence, feminism, health, human rights, parental leave, pregnancy, reproductive rights, sexism, sex discrimination, single mothers and tax reform.??WEL Australia records also include: papers relating to conferences and other events conducted by WEL; correspondence; posters; election material; WEL National Management Committee minutes and correspondence; newsletters; photographs; policy documents; funding papers; WEL history papers; and records reflecting relations between WEL Australia, various women's organisations and WEL state and territory branches. WEL submissions, to which there is an extensive index, document the organisation's lobbying activities at both national and state level. The small component titled Women's Liberation contains newsletters (58 boxes, 1 fol. Box).

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