

# The Australian Women's Register

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## MacDonald, Karin

(1969 - )

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<b>Born</b>	16 May, 1969, Sydney New South Wales Australia
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<b>Occupation</b>	Parliamentarian
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### Summary

A member of the Australian Labor Party, Karin MacDonald was elected to the Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory, representing the electorate of Brindabella, in 2001 and was re-elected in 2004, retiring in 2008.

### Details

After studying to become a primary school teacher and working with handicapped children for six years, MacDonald worked in a variety of clerical positions. She worked with the NSW Professional Officers' Association as a recruitment organiser before joining the Australian Services Union as the Canberra organiser for the Clerical and Administrative Branch. Before entering parliament she was executive director of the Business Training Advisory Board.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

From Lady Denman to Katy Gallagher: A Century of Women's Contributions to Canberra, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2013,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/ldkg>

MacDonald resigning for personal reasons, 24 January 2008,  
<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2008-01-24/macdonald-resigning-for-personal-reasons/1022038>

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