



Independent Scholars Association of Australia (NSW Chapter)

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Annual Seminar

**IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR –
*WOMEN'S LEGAL STATUS ACT 1918***

**Metcalf Auditorium, State Library of NSW
Macquarie Street Sydney**

21 July 2018 – 12.45-4.30pm

The aftermath of the First World War ushered in significant social changes for women. In November 1918, despite some resistance from the 'legislating brotherhood', the NSW parliament passed the *Women's Legal Status Act*, which enabled women to practise as lawyers, become Justices of the Peace and stand for election to local government and the Legislative Assembly. In this Seminar, prominent women in law, the legislature and local government will explore the contributions women have made to the law profession, to politics and legislation and to local government since the introduction of that Act.

Dr Anne Twomey, Professor of Constitutional Law and Director, Constitutional Reform Unit, University of Sydney.

Jenny Aitchison MP, Member for Maitland, Acting Shadow Minister for Women.

Kate Eastman SC, Senior Fellow, Monash University, barrister New Chambers Sydney.

Carolyn Corrigan, Her Worship the Mayor of Mosman.

Jilly Gibson, Her Worship the Mayor of North Sydney.



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