

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION OF WOMEN VOTERS

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

THE NAME OF THE ORGANISATION shall be "The Australian Federation of Women Voters".

For the purpose of interpretation "Federation" as used in these articles shall mean "The Australian Federation of Women Voters".

Headquarters shall be in such a place as shall be determined by Conference (hereinafter defined) from time to time.

ARTICLE II.

The Federation shall be non-party and non-sectarian in policy.

ARTICLE III.

1. To promote equality of opportunity, status, responsibility and reward between men and women and to promote a high moral standard for men and women.
2. To further the interests of women, children and the home and to promote the welfare of the family as a whole.
3. To federate throughout Australia societies actively working for equal citizenship between men and women.
4. To provide machinery for Federal action whereby the affiliated societies may act together on all matters to further the objects of the Federation; but
  - a. The Federation shall take no action in any matter of State concern.
  - b. No affiliated society shall take action in the name of the Federation.
  - c. Each affiliated society shall be free to undertake in its own name any activity of whatever political,

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5. To correlate, where necessary, existing social, economic, industrial and political legislation throughout the Commonwealth.

6. To promote action to secure

(a) The election of women to Federal and State Parliaments

(b) The appointment of women to administrative positions on such bodies as -

i. International, National and State Conferences.

ii. Commissions and Diplomatic Posts.

iii. Boards.

iv. Committees of enquiry.

7.(a) To arrange Interstate Conferences.

(b) To appoint delegates to

i. International Conferences.

ii. British Commonwealth League Conferences.

iii. Any other Conferences at which the Federation may decide to be represented.

#### ARTICLE.IV.

MEMBERSHIP :

1. Any regularly constituted State society in the Australian Commonwealth, with a minimum of twenty-five members, working for equal citizenship and willing to co-operate for the furtherance of the objects of the Federation, shall be eligible for affiliation; provided that such society be not affiliated to any other national organisation with a similar platform, or, after affiliation is not responsible for initiating any other Commissions or Committees doing similar Federal work.

2. A society desiring affiliation shall apply in writing to the Secretary of Federation. The application shall be accompanied by a copy of that society's Constitution, reports covering at least 2 years previous to its application and balance sheet. On receipt of an application