The Hon. Julie Collins MP

Minister for Community Services

Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development

Minister for the Status of Women

Member for Franklin

Julie Collins was born in Tasmania in 1971. She has worked tirelessly over the past twenty years to improve the lives of Tasmanian families in a variety of political and public sector roles including as an adviser to former Tasmanian Premier Jim Bacon and Manager of the Ministerial Unit, Department of Tourism, Parks, Heritage and the Arts (Tas) between 2003 and 2005. Julie was also State Secretary of the Tasmanian Labor Party from 2006 to 2007. She has a Cert IV in Business Administration.

Julie was elected to the House of Representatives on 25 November 2007 as the member for Franklin.

Julie has been a member for the House of Representatives Standing Committees of Communications; Education and Training; and Family, Community, Housing and Youth.

She is married and is the mother of three young children.

Like most working mothers, Julie has taken an active interest in her children's educational and sporting activities. She has a first hand understanding of the difficulties many families face with rising interest rates, child care costs, petrol and grocery prices and balancing work and family responsibilities.

Julie was appointed to the Ministry in December 2011.