

# Ann Bray

## Minister-Counsellor (Industry, Science, Energy and Resources), Australian Embassy, Washington DC



Ann Bray has over 15 years policy experience with the Australian Government in the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources and 17 years private sector experience. Ann commenced as the Minister Counsellor for the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources (USA/Canada) in February 2020.

In the Australian Government, Ann has led teams to develop industry, innovation and science policy including improving regulations, working with Ministers and their staff, and consulting and working with industry associations, science organisations and state and territory governments.

Notably and recently Ann has been the Chief of Staff for the Assistant Minister for Innovation and Science, the Hon Craig Laundy MP; interim CEO (1 year) of the Office of Innovation and Science Australia which she established to support the Innovation and Science Australia statutory board; and a general manager with the National Measurement Institute – Australia's metrology institute.

In addition to her government experience, she has a significant amount of private sector experience including nine years with The Uncle Toby's Company (a food manufacturer) in various roles such as production manager and quality assurance manager. She has also managed her own small businesses and in her early career worked in research and clinical laboratories as a clinical biochemist.

Ann has a Bachelor of Applied Science (Medical Technology) and Graduate Diplomas in Education (Maths/Science) and Human Resource Management. Her professional training includes graduation from the Australian Institute of Company Directors; the Oxford Strategic Leadership Program at Said University; Melbourne Business School's Leadership Development Program; and ANU's China Synoptic Program.