RENATA RUZZENE KALDOR AO – FORMER DEPUTY CHANCELLOR (2000–03)

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PROFILE

AO, BA DipEd UNSW
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– Deputy Chancellor 2000 - 2003
Honorary Fellow of the University of Sydney: 2005

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As Deputy Chancellor from 2000 to 2003, Mrs Kaldor was an ex-officio member of all Senate Committees, chaired many meetings of the Senate/SRC and Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committees and was Chair of the Chair Appointments Committee from November 2001 to December 2003.

Prior to being Deputy Chancellor, Mrs Kaldor was a member of many Senate committees including the Finance Committee, the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, the Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions) and the former EEO Committee of Senate.

Mrs Kaldor was also a Senate representative on the Women’s College Council. Mrs Kaldor has been a Director of Australian Stationary Industries Pty Ltd since 1983 and was Chair of the NSW Women’s Advisory Council from 1988 to 1991.

Senate tribute

At her final meeting of Senate, Fellows spoke warmly about Mrs Kaldor’s fifteen years as a Fellow of Senate and four as Deputy Chancellor.

The Chancellor paid tribute to Mrs Kaldor’s qualities stating she was a remarkable woman with a willingness to grasp the nettle, great integrity, and the capacity to look ahead and to do so in a way that anticipated problems. He noted that fifteen years was a long time to be a member of Senate. Personally, he had found her role of Deputy Chancellor to be of immense value to him and to the way he had been able to conduct Senate meetings. When he became Chancellor, after a period of upheaval, he had been grateful that work was in hand to reform governance which anticipated and in some respects surpassed the Government’s reforms.
and that this was largely due to Mrs Kaldor who had put together the working group with Cordiner King which produced that outcome.

*From the Senate minutes of 3 November 2003*