

Alice Paul and the Women's Suffrage Movement

Alice Paul was the architect of some of the most outstanding political achievements on behalf of women in the 1900s. Her vision was the ordinary notion that women and men should be equal partners in society. American suffragist Alice Paul was born into a prominent Quaker family in New Jersey. Paul's parents embraced gender equality, education for women, and working to improve society. She first worked within the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA) for two years. Then, co-founded the Congressional Union and later formed the National Woman's party in 1916. Alice Paul advocated for, and helped secure passage of, the 19th Amendment to the U.S Constitution, granting women the right to vote. She worked at the National Woman's party headquarters in Washington, D.C. until her later years.



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