

NOTE ON AUTHORS

PETER COLEMAN is a writer and editor. His books include *The Heart of James McAuley: life and work of the Australian poet* (1980); *The Liberal Conspiracy. The Congress for Cultural Freedom and the Struggle for the Mind of Postwar Europe* (1989), on the role of intellectuals in the Cold War; *Obscenity Blasphemy Sedition: censorship in Australia* (1963), an inquiry into 100 years of Australian censorship; and the autobiographical *Memoirs of a Slow Learner* (1994). He was editor of *Quadrant* for 20 years, including several years as co-editor with H.W.Arndt, and of *The Bulletin*. He has also edited a number of books including the mould-breaking *Australian Civilization* (1962) and more recently *Double Take. Six Incorrect Essays (on political correctness)* (1996). He served in the Federal Parliament (as the Member for Wentworth) and NSW Parliament (when he was Leader of the Opposition and Minister for Revenue and Chief Secretary, responsible for prisons, police, boxing and pornography).

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