

ANNE BROCK TURPEAU, WOMEN AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST



(photo: Judith Kaplan)

A native of West Virginia, Anne Turpeau was a member for nine years of the **D.C. Commission for Women** and Chairperson from '76 to '79. Under her leadership the Commission became a statutory body of the government of the District of Columbia and advanced revisions of the D.C. code which eliminated sex discriminatory language in the civil laws of the district. She was the Commission's director of a federally funded research project on sexual harassment and organized a citywide conference on elder abuse. She served as co-chair of the **National Women's Conference Continuing Committee** for 3 terms; was a member of the U.S. Delegation to the U.N. Mid-Decade Conference in Copenhagen and a representative at the Nairobi conference of **NGO's**, Today she is active in the **Friends of the D.C. Commission for Women** and the **Heritage Tourism Commission**.