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FEC HANDBOOK OF  
STATE AND FEDERAL  
ELECTION AGENCIES

WASHINGTON - DEC. 17 - The Federal Election Commission today released a guide to state and Federal election agencies, their functions and responsibilities, state laws on public financing and campaign practices, and officials in state government who oversee the conduct of elections.

The guide, the Handbook of State Election Agencies and Election Officials, will be "an invaluable resource to state and Federal election officials, the press and public, and candidates and committees," said FEC Chairman Vernon Thomson.

The Handbook, written by Dr. Richard Smolka and sponsored by the FEC's Clearinghouse on Election Administration, is divided into three sections.

The first section contains a description of each state's election agencies, including information on voter registration procedures, campaign finance, ballot access and election conduct.

Part two consists of a series of tables listing various state elections responsibilities, and the offices charged with their oversight.

The third section of the Handbook is a directory of Federal and state elections officials, which lists their names, addresses and telephone numbers.

The guide is available at cost through the National Technical Information Service of the Department of Commerce.