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WASHINGTON -

Everything you want to know about Federal election laws and planning for the 1980 national elections will be up for discussion at a one-day seminar to be held July 23 in Madison, Wisconsin. The Federal Election Commission will sponsor the open-to-the-public seminar on campaign finance in the Wisconsin State Capitol.

This meeting will coincide with a two-day 10 State Midwest Regional Conference for Election Administrators to be held July 22-24, also in Madison. This conference is sponsored by the Wisconsin State Elections Board and the Federal Election Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration.

Taking part in the all-day July 23 campaign finance seminar in Senate Hearing Room 421 South will be Federal Election Commission Chairman Robert O. Tiernan, Vice Chairman Max L. Friedersdorf and Commissioners Joan Aikens and John McGarry. They will discuss the Commission, the Federal Election Campaign Act and public financing of presidential elections. The two-hour morning session will highlight FEC planning for the 1980 elections.

Two simultaneous afternoon sessions will run from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. William Loughrey, FEC Deputy Staff Director, and Ian Stirton, Public Communications, will discuss campaign reporting requirements, which will be of particular interest to persons who are involved in preparing or reviewing disclosure reports for 1980 Federal elections. A workshop on political action committees will be presented by FEC General Counsel William Oldaker, and Frieda Campbell, Public Communications, who will provide overviews of the Federal Election Campaign Act as it relates to political action committees, and of recent FEC advisory opinions affecting PAC activities.

FEC staff specialists will be available throughout the day for additional consultation and advice. All sessions are open to the public without charge, and those attending will have an opportunity to meet and ask questions of the Commissioners and staff.

Further information is available by calling the FEC Office of Public Communications, toll-free 800/424-9530.