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WASHINGTON -- Between 300 and 400 local and state election officials from the 11-state Northeast Region and the District of Columbia are expected to attend a two-day conference on election administration to be held December 2-4, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Hosts for the meeting at the Sheraton Hotel, 17th Street and Kennedy Boulevard, are the Acting Pennsylvania Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Federal Election Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration. Officials attending the conference will represent Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and the District of Columbia.

Workshops will be conducted throughout the two-day conference, and speakers will be featured at luncheons on both days, as well as at the opening reception Sunday evening and at Tuesday night's banquet.

Subjects to be discussed at the workshops include: Training of Election Officials; Absentee Registration and Voting; Planning, Managing and Costing for Elections; Ballot Access; Registration File Maintenance; Voter Outreach; Media and Election Administration; Voting Equipment; and Reprecincting and Polling Place Location. Panelists participating in the workshops will include public officials from throughout the nation who are recognized for their work in the field of election administration.

The Northeast Regional Conference on Election Administration will coincide with a one-day seminar on Campaign Finance to be held Monday, December 3, also at the Sheraton. Sponsored by the Federal Election Commission, this program will feature opening remarks, at 9:00 a.m., by FEC Chairman Robert O. Tiernan and Vice-Chairman Max L. Friedersdorf, followed by 3 workshops, to be held simultaneously from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, on campaign finance reporting, political action committees, and political party committee activity. The 3 workshops will be repeated in the afternoon session, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All sessions will be open to the public, and FEC staff specialists will be available for additional consultation and advice.