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WASHINGTON -- Everything you want to know about Federal Election laws and planning for the 1980 Presidential elections are among the subjects of a one-day seminar to be conducted Wednesday, January 16 in the Hyatt House in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Sponsored by the Federal Election Commission, all proceedings of the seminar will be open to the public. The program will start at 10:00 a.m. with presentations by FEC Chairman Robert O. Tiernan, Vice Chairman Max L. Friedersdorf; Commissioners Joan Aikens, John McGarry and Frank Reiche; Harriet Robnett, Special Deputy to the Secretary of the U.S. Senate and Douglas Patton, Special Deputy to the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Commission's General Counsel and Deputy Staff Director, are expected to participate in discussions of the Federal Election Campaign Act, public financing of presidential elections and operations of the Commission itself. Three two-hour morning and afternoon workshops will concentrate on FEC planning for the 1980 elections.

A reporting workshop will deal with requirements under the Federal Election Campaign Act, and will be directed particularly at campaign committee workers who anticipate being involved in advising on and preparing campaign finance reports for Federal elections.

A political action committee workshop will provide an overview of the Federal Election Campaign Act, regulations governing Federal elections, and FEC advisory opinions relating to separate segregated funds.

All sessions will be open to questions from the public, and FEC staff specialists will be on hand for additional consultation and advice.

The seminar on campaign financing will follow by one day a separate two-day Conference for Election Administrators from the 10 State Southeast Region. This Conference also is in Winston Salem and runs January 23-25. Sponsoring this conference are the North Carolina Board of Elections and the Federal Election Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration. The Southeast Regional Conference is the last of five such regional meetings conducted by the FEC during the past six months.