

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION



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WASHINGTON -- Everything anyone might need or want to know about Federal election campaign finance laws will be open for discussion at five regional conferences to be held this year by the Federal Election Commission and regional sponsors.

Each of the two-day conferences will be aimed at Federal candidates, state and local political party officials, representatives from political action committees, state legislators and staff, attorneys, accountants and others interested in the election process.

A series of 19 workshops and roundtable discussions will cover corporate and labor activities, federal candidates and their committees, political action committees, presidential elections, FEC enforcement, tax issues and the use of campaign finance reports.

Another set of 17 workshops and roundtable discussions will be devoted to election law administration, with emphasis on legislative and administrative functions required to run a well-organized, fair and open election.

An introductory session will include Commissioners of the FEC, and will explain federal campaign finance laws, review FEC publications and describe assistance available from the FEC.

Registration materials for the regional conferences may be obtained from: Mrs. Gwenn Hofmann, FEC National Clearinghouse on Election Administration, 1325 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20463.

All workshop materials will be provided free of charge. There is a registration fee covering two lunches, a banquet and coffee breaks, and each participant is responsible for his or her own hotel and travel expenses.

Those unable to attend the conference scheduled in their regions are encouraged to select another area.

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Conference locations, dates and general information follow:

Conference Locations, Dates, Hotels and General Information

1. **Mid-West Regional. Itaska, Illinois (Chicago area).**

September 6-8, 1983. Hamilton Hotel
Regional Sponsors - Illinois State Board of Elections.
Stanley T. Kusper, Cook County Clerk.
Michael Lavelle, Chairman,
Chicago Board of Elections Commissioners.
Host Jurisdiction, DuPage County Board
of Election Commissioners
Clifford M. Carney, Chairman.

Invitations have been extended to officials and others in the following states:

Illinois	Minnesota
Indiana	Missouri
Iowa	Ohio
Kentucky	West Virginia
Michigan	Wisconsin.

2. **Northeast Regional. Albany, New York.**

September 25-27, 1983. Albany Hilton
Regional Sponsor - State Board of Elections of New York.
N. Y. State Election Commissioners Assoc.

Invitations have been extended to officials and others in the following states:

Connecticut	New Hampshire
Delaware	New Jersey
District of Columbia	Pennsylvania
Maine	Rhode Island
Maryland	Vermont
Massachusetts	New York.

3. **Southern Regional. Charleston, South Carolina.**

October 23-25, 1983. Sheraton Charleston
Regional Sponsor - State Election Commission of South Carolina.

Invitations have been extended to officials and others in the following states:

Alabama	Mississippi
Arkansas	North Carolina
Florida	South Carolina
Georgia	Tennessee
Louisiana	Virginia.

4. **Southwest Regional. Tulsa, Oklahoma.**

November 13-15, 1983. Excelsior Hotel
Regional Sponsors - State Board of Elections of Oklahoma.
Tulsa County Board of Elections.

Invitations have been extended to officials and others in the following states:

Arizona	Puerto Rico
Colorado	South Dakota
Kansas	Texas
Nebraska	Utah
New Mexico	Wyoming
Oklahoma	Virgin Islands.

5. **Far West Regional. Los Angeles, California.**

December 4-6, 1983. Sheraton Inn, Industry Hills
Regional Sponsors - Secretary of State of California.
Registrar of Voters, Los Angeles County.

Invitations have been extended to officials and others in the following states:

Alaska	Nevada
California	North Dakota
Hawaii	Oregon
Idaho	Pacific Territories
Montana	Washington.