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WASHINGTON — A series of five 1983 Regional Conferences on Election Administration and Campaign Financing has been concluded by the Federal Election Commission. The seminars and workshops attracted more than 2,300 state and local elections administrators, 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.

Some 30 local and state election officials from throughout the country served as instructors at each conference for more than 17 workshops devoted to legislative and administrative functions required to run a well-organized, fair and open election.

FEC Commissioners and staff specialists taught the 19 workshops at each Conference designed for individuals or organizations involved in campaign financing for Federal offices.

The FEC also was assisted in the workshops and seminars by officials from the Department of Justice, Postal Service, Bureau of the Census and Voters Assistance Task Force of the Department of Defense.

The Conferences were co-sponsored by elections officials of the host localities, and were conducted between September and December at Itasca (Chicago), Ill., Albany, N.Y., Charleston, S.C., Tulsa, Okla., and Los Angeles, Calif.

In addition to the regional conferences, the FEC this year has conducted workshops in a number of states in cooperation with and at the invitation of state election officials.

The conferences, combined with other outreach efforts by the Federal Election Commission, help improve compliance with election laws, and broaden full public disclosure of campaign finance activities related to Federal elections, officials said.

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