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FEC Chairman Lee E. Goodman and Vice Chair Ann M. Ravel to Host Public Forum on Political Parties

As Chairman and Vice Chair of the Federal Election Commission for 2014, we invite you to join us on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. for an informal public forum to discuss agency operations that affect local, state, and national political parties with Commissioners and senior staff. This discussion is intended to help us evaluate and improve our administration of the law with respect to political parties and the agency's service to the public, and will address operational aspects of the Commission's dealings with political party committees, including interactions with the Audit Division, the Office of the General Counsel, and the Reports Analysis Division. Topics may include issues relating to the audit process, recordkeeping guidance, or compliance assistance on the issues that are common to party committees (such as volunteer participation and coordination questions).

The forum will be open to the public and press. The forum will be held in the FEC's ninth-floor hearing room, located at 999 E Street, NW, Washington D.C., on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. until noon. Those wishing to participate may do so either in person or on-line, via live audio feed and chat room. If you would like to attend the forum in person, participate via webcast, or if you are unable to attend but would like to submit written comments, please email us at politicalpartyforum@fec.gov. Capacity is limited, so please respond promptly.

Alternatively, if you would just like to listen, a live audio feed will be available through FEC.gov and requires no pre-registration. Please note that this meeting will focus solely on improving the Commission's administration of the law and service to the public. If the discussion raises issues that suggest the need to consider revisions to or adoption of regulations or procedures, we will address such issues through our standard, formal procedures.

We and our colleagues welcome your participation in this public forum and look forward to hearing your ideas and suggestions with respect to local, state, and national political parties. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either of our offices at 202-694-1000.

Sincerely,

Lee E. Goodman
Chairman
Federal Election Commission

Ann M. Ravel
Vice Chair
Federal Election Commission

The Federal Election Commission (FEC) is an independent regulatory agency that administers and enforces federal campaign finance laws. The FEC has jurisdiction over the financing of campaigns for the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate, the Presidency and the Vice Presidency. Established in 1975, the FEC is composed of six Commissioners who are nominated by the President and confirmed by the U.S. Senate.

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