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PUBLIC FEDERAL ELECTION LAW SEMINAR
SET FOR MADISON, WISCONSIN ON JULY 23

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 July 23 in the Wisconsin State Capitol in Madison.

Sponsored by the Federal Election Commission, the seminar will be in a Senate hearing room of the State Capitol and all the proceedings are open to the public. The program will start at 10 a.m. with presentations by FEC Chairman Robert O. Tiernan and Vice Chairman Max L. Friedersdorf. Commissioners Joan Aikens and John McGarry also will participate in discussions of the Federal Election Campaign Act, public financing of presidential elections and operations of the Commission, itself. The two-hour morning session will highlight FEC planning for the 1980 elections.

Starting at 2 p.m. and running until 4 p.m. will be two workshops conducted simultaneously. The reporting workshop will deal with reporting 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.

The 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 coincides with a two-day conference for election administrators from the 10 state Midwest Region. This two-day conference also is in Madison and runs through July 24. Sponsoring this conference are the Wisconsin State Elections Board and the Federal Election Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration. The Midwest Regional Conference is one of five such meetings to be conducted by the FEC this year and in early 1980.

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