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## PUBLIC FEDERAL ELECTION LAW SEMINAR SET FOR AUSTIN, TEXAS ON DECEMBER 10

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 December 10 in the Hilton Inn in Austin, Texas.

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 William Loughrey, Deputy Staff Director, 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 and afternoon sessions will highlight 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 coincides with a two-day Conference for Election Administrators from the nine state Southwest Plains Region. This two-day Conference also is in Austin and runs through December 11. Sponsoring this conference are the Texas Secretary of State and the Federal Election Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration. The Southwest-Plains Regional Conference is the fourth of five such regional meetings to be conducted by the FEC this year and in early 1980.