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WASHINGTON -- Between 400 and 500 local and state officials from the 10 State Southeast Region are expected to attend a two-day conference on election administration to be held January 13-15 in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Hosts for the meeting at the Hyatt House are the North Carolina Board of Elections and the Federal Election Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration. Officials attending will represent Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

Workshops will be conducted throughout the two-day Conference, and luncheon and dinner speakers will include FEC Chairman Robert O. Tiernan and Dr. Gary Greenhalgh, Director of the Commission's National Clearinghouse on Election Administration.

Subjects to be discussed at the workshops include: Training of Election Officials; Absentee Registration and Voting; Planning, Managing and Costing for Elections; Ballot Access; Registration File Maintenance; Voter Outreach; Media and Election Administration; Voting Equipment; Reprecincting and Polling Place Location. Panelists participating in the workshops will include public officials from throughout the Nation who are recognized for their work in the field of election administration.

The Southeast Regional Conference on Election Administration will precede a one-day workshop on Campaign Finance Activities to be held Wednesday, January 16, at the Hyatt House. Sponsored by the Federal Election Commission, this program will feature discussions of the Federal Election Campaign Act, campaign finance reporting, political action and party committee activities and planning for the 1980 elections.

All sessions of the Wednesday seminar will be open to the public. Five of the Commissioners and several FEC staff specialists will conduct the workshops and answer questions relating to election laws governing campaigns for Federal offices, including the Presidency.