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FEC TO HEAR 20 WITNESSES ON REGULATION REVISIONS

WASHINGTON --

Twenty witnesses have asked to give oral testimony at public hearings scheduled by the Federal Election Commission on August 9 and 10. The hearings, on proposed revisions of FEC regulations governing nonpartisan communications by corporations and labor organizations, will start at 2 p.m. August 9 and at 10 a.m. August 10 in the Commission's conference room.

Individuals asking to testify and organizations they represent are: Martha Rountree, Leadership Foundation; Richard B. Dingman, Moral Majority, Inc.; Henry L. Walther, U.S. Defense Committee; Neal B. Blair, Free the Eagle Citizens Lobby; John Armor, National Center for Constitutional Studies; Marion Edwyn Harrison, Committee for the Survival of a Free Congress; Lawrence D. Pratt, Gun Owners of America; Paul D. Kamenar, Washington Legal Foundation; Jack Abramoff, College Republican National Committee; Ronald W. Pearson, Public Advocate of the United States, Inc.; David Keating, National Taxpayer Union; Peter T. Flaherty, Citizens for Reagan; Charles E. Rice, Notre Dame Law School; James Bopp, Jr., and Jean Doyle, National Right to Life Committee; Don Todd, American Conservative Union; Michael P. Farris, Concerned Women of America; Michael Ernest Avakian, The Center on National Labor Policy.

Among other things, the proposed revisions seek to clarify the classes of persons to whom nonpartisan communications may be made under each section and indicate the types of communications which are permissible. They expand the types of publications which may be distributed to the general public by corporations and labor organizations to include nonpartisan voting records and voter guides. One part would add executive and administrative personnel to the class of persons who may be solicited by labor organizations, and another would add families of members to the class of persons who may be solicited by incorporated membership organizations, trade associations, cooperatives and corporations without capital stock.

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