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A MATTER OF CHOICE: CONSTITUTIONAL RATIFICATION IN THE STATES

Stephen Schechter, Department of Government, Russell Sage College, has received a planning grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities for the 200th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution. The funded project will explore the feasibility of public education activities having to do with the ratification of the proposed U.S. Constitution by the original thirteen states. Planned activities include: (1) a three-semester series of public lectures and other learning activities on the ratification process in New York state; (2) a single catalyzing event in the other original states on their ratification dates; (3) a television documentary on the ratification process in the states; and (4) preparation of a collection of essays on the states and the ratification process. The term of the planning grant is January 1, 1983 to December 31, 1983.

LIBERTY FUND CONFERENCE ON "MODELS OF REVOLUTIONARY LEADERSHIP"

The Center for the Study of Federalism will host its fourth Liberty Fund Conference from May 8-10, 1983 in Philadelphia. Since 1983 will mark the 200th anniversary of George Washington's surrender of command of the Continental Army, thus paving the way for the development of democratic leadership, we will use the occasion to explore dimensions of political leadership in the United States in a small conference entitled "Models of Revolutionary Leadership." Confirmed paper presenters include Daniel Elazar (Temple University), Morton Frisch (Northern Illinois University), Forrest McDonald (University of Alabama), Steven Spiegel (UCLA), and Gary Wills (Northwestern University).

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