

Biography of Doug Lewis, CERA

Since 1994, Executive Director of The Election Center, a national nonprofit organization serving the elections and voter registration profession. The Election Center is also known as the National Association of Election Officials. Doug developed and authored the Professional Education Program for elections/registration officials, the most extensive professional training program in the world for elections officials, which leads to the status of Certified Election/Registration Administrator (CERA), the highest professional designation. The Professional Education Program was named as the best continuing education program in the nation by the National University Continuing Education Association.

During the aftermath of Election 2000, Doug appeared on CNN, ABC, CBS, NBC (including Today Show) and was a regular on C-SPAN, representing the nation's elections administrators. He has been referred to as the voice of election administration in America.

The Election Center also created the National Task Force on Election Reform in the aftermath of Election 2000 and renewed that Task Force in 2005 in response to Election 2004. The Task Force issued complete reports to guide Congress, state legislatures and election officials on what should be done to improve elections in America and the Task Force is the only national group featuring the recommendations of the nation's elections administrators.

Doug also led the development of a national Code of Ethics for the election profession.

The Election Center has more than 1200 members nationwide and is the largest national election organization.

He served as the first Chairman of the US Election Assistance Commissions Advisory Board and continues as a member of that body.

He is asked to testify to US Congress and state legislatures on a regular basis.