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An all-day symposium sponsored by the Overby Center for Southern Journalism and Politics, Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation and Lott Leadership Institute.

- 10 a.m. Challenging the Rules - the Mississippi Freedom Democrats at the 1964 Convention** with Lawrence Guyot, MFDP chairman; Freedom Summer organizers Rita Schwerner Bender and Charles Cobb, and John Dittmer, author of "Local People."
Moderator: Susan Glisson, director of the Winter Institute
- 2 p.m. Shattering the 'Solid South' - the Realignment of Political Parties in the Region** with Hodding Carter, III and Clarke Reed, leaders of the Democratic and Republican parties in Mississippi during the transition; and Leslie B. McLemore, president of the Jackson City Council. *Moderator:* Jack Bass, author of "The Transformation of Southern Politics"
- 4 p.m. Establishing a Two-Party System - the situation today** with Mary Coleman, associate dean of liberal arts at Jackson State University; Representative Philip Gunn (R-Clinton) and Sen. Gray Tollison (D-Oxford).
Moderator: Robert Haws, chairman of Lott Institute's Public Policy Leadership Program



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