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Major Publications

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9. *Municipal Election Officials' Handbook* (1996, 1997, 1998; with Office of the Secretary of State).
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