

## 12th District

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2. Yes, county government should help cut red tape for citizens in need of assistance. Major programs such as community development block grants from Oakland County should be promoted so all communities can receive maximum benefits. However, I strongly believe local communities should maintain autonomy and control over local programs.

3. No consolidation of agencies. We have a check and balance system of government that works well. Such a consolidation would focus and concentrate too much power in one area, thereby distorting the good working relationship now between the Board of Commissioners and the county executive.

MARILYN J. WALDRON, Republican, 50, Clawson. High school diploma; unopposed.

## 13th District

DOUGLAS GOULAIT, Democrat, unopposed.

JOANNE ECKSTEIN, Republican, 46, Troy. Education: MA, business administration, Central Michigan University; BS, Wayne State University; professor of marketing, Macomb Community College; 15 years in executive retail and wholesale positions; headed petition drive to resolve 21 half-days of school in Troy.

1. a) Suburban takeover, Detroit water system, show financial justification. Ramifications of SB 545 which proposes creating a metropolitan water-sewer system. b) Taxpayers' dollars used by county politicians to hire outside legal counsel to initiate and pursue lawsuits. A civil counsel exists within the county; why should taxpayers support both?

2. Yes, because of the rapid growth of Oakland County; overlapping services which increase cost to taxpayers, perhaps, could be eliminated.

3. Yes, only if appointed administrators in these three areas meet criteria necessary to perform the job. Because of technical aspects of these areas, appointees should have considerable professional engineering expertise in design construction, construction contracts, and construction contract administration. The one elected office, drain commissioner, requires none.

ROBERT JED JR., Republican. No reply received.

## 14th District

ROBBIE M. DARGIN, Democrat, unopposed.

MARILYNN E. GOSLING, incumbent, Republican, unopposed.

part-time aide in school system, Oakland County Community Development Advisory Council; vice-chair, Clawson Planning Commission; 17th Congressional District — city director; campaign headquarters manager, Citizens for Better Schools Committee.

1. a) Mass transit: Mass transit as it is today with old ideas of subways, etc. cannot work. When the appropriate innovative ideas are brought forth, any tax liabilities must be voted on by the public. b) Crime: Criminals should serve their full sentences without early release. Welfare rehabilitation programs should be instituted.

2. No. Local communities should function autonomously under the umbrella of county government. That gives more people a chance to say how they want their tax monies spent.

3. No. That gives one person too much power.

ROBERT W. PAGE, incumbent, Republican, 63, Birmingham. Graduate, Wayne State University, 1942, BA, political science; insurance account executive, assistant vice-president, Lang, Heenan Co.; Republican incumbent Oakland County commissioner, 1974-84; county delegate, SEMCOG, 1974-84; mayor, Birmingham, 1966-67, 1973; city commissioner, 1966-73; planning board, 1953-60.

1. a) Landfills to bury our trash will soon not be available. Solution: Implement the proposed solid waste management plan providing a resource recovery system. b) Costs of government must be contained. Solution: Resist state attempts to pass down increased costs locally. "Hold the line" on 1985 county budget to prior year's level.

2. Assistance to local communities should be provided, when requested, regarding services which are vital and useful locally, such as those now furnished: prisoner transportation from local lockups to county jail, arson squad, anti-organized crime unit, computer network linking local police departments to central file at county and state levels.

3. Consolidation of drain and public works functions is desirable either under an elected public works commissioner or the county executive with pros and cons to either. Because of separate funding under the gas and weight tax essentially earmarked for roads only, present non-political status of the Road Commission has merit.

## 16th District

SANDRA TEAGUE, Democrat, unopposed.

ROY REWOLD, incumbent, Republican, unopposed.

## 15th District

KENNETH A. WITTENBERG, Democrat, unopposed.

GARY ROY FERGUSON, Republican, 30, West Bloomfield. Life-long experience in business and industry; Secretary, Secure-wise Weatherization; president, Chadaco Aluminum Corp., Ferguson Industries. Board of directors, 300 Club, Oakland County Republican Committee; twice elected chairman, Young Republicans, MPYR national committee; Harrisburg graduate.

1. a) Crime and, if unchecked, concurrent decreased property values: Ensure funding of law enforcement and prosecuting agencies. b) Taxes: Cut individual taxes by increasing the tax base using resources at our disposal to foster more private development and new business which creates more jobs through private investment.

2. No. Each community has the right to run its own government as a reflection of its own citizens.

3. No. Current county system comprises executive, legislative and judicial branches. This system of checks and balances works well. The current executive could handle a consolidation well, but once the precedent was established, future administrators might not be as capable. The theory is fine, but the potential for abuse is great.

RICHARD D. MINTZ, Republican, 44, Bloomfield Hills. Lawyer; educator (adjunct professor), Walsh College, Wayne State; president, Maslona Heights Chamber of Commerce; Troy Kiwanis; South Oakland Bar Association; "Delta" Property Owners Association; veteran; leader, American Arbitration; Bloomfield Hills Cable Television Advisory Board.

1. a) Urban sprawl. Good community planning and enforcement of building and zoning restrictions will curtail this problem. b) Cable television. This wave-of-the-future resource should be actively promoted and utilized. The vast potential for communication via this medium needs to be utilized at a countywide level.

2. No. The county should be a resource bank for services desired by the local communities. Less government is better government. The county has no reason to involve itself in local government unless asked to do so by local government or else when mandated by law.

3. I believe this concept should be studied with an approach to making county government more efficient. Since the Board of Commissioners' administrative and supervisory functions pre-date the creation of the executive, it is perhaps time to reexamine the relationship of these two bodies of government.

DAVID L. MOFFITT, Republican, 31, Birmingham. BA, University of Michigan; JD, University of Detroit; partner, Hixon, DuBois & Moffitt, Attorneys at Law; public hearing officer, County Road Commission; lecturer, Michigan Association of Realtors; chairman, Birmingham Michigan Week parade; nationally published legal author.

1. The current state of Michigan's economy and local government's obligation to finance expanding needs for basic services are of paramount concern to county government and its citizens. The county can perform a significant role in the context of these concerns through attraction of diversified

economic development in high technology industries.

2. Yes. Each level of government provides certain services to citizens; currently the county provides assistance to local communities in the areas of public health, economic development, and computer and law enforcement support services. The county should continue to provide these services that local municipalities cannot cost-effectively provide themselves.

3. Yes. Placing county administrative functions and an autonomous Board of Commissioners under a county executive directly accountable to the people was the intent of PA 139 and the voters' 1974 mandate. Consolidation of services such as water, sewers, drains, roads and parks under the county executive would streamline their administration.

DAVID W. POTTS, Republican, 42, Birmingham. Practicing attorney, 15 years, juris doctor, Wayne State University Law School; 30-year resident, Oakland County; national, state and local political experience; active in church, cultural and government activities; married, wife is also an attorney, two children.

1. Economic development, job retention, expansion. County must take expansionist view. County has been economically aggressive. This will result in a more diverse economy. Fiscal integrity. Appropriating enough for effective government without overburdening taxpayer. I would attempt to balance cost factor of projects with the needs of the county for development.

2. Yes. County should act with local communities to make jobs of local communities easier. A collective effort is necessary to cut costs, increase services. The county and local communities should work together in the area of collective purchasing. Local communities saved thousands of dollars by buying police cars with county.

3. Yes. I believe a consolidation will benefit the county. There is a need for unification of management. The County Executive Act has as its thrust the bringing together under one system of all the agencies. It is important to see that particular agencies are not in conflict with county government.

VIRGINIA D. RODGERS, Republican, 37, Franklin. Oakland Community College, Bachelor's degree, business administration; current director, Oakland County Cultural Affairs; 20-year resident; 25 years community service; trustee, president pro-tem, Franklin Village Board member, O.C. Youth Assistance Advisory Council; O.C. Cooperative Extension, 4-H.

1. a) Need for economical development within Oakland County. b) Retraining of unemployed through programs in high tech skills. Through efforts of Economic Development, efforts are being made to attract new businesses into Oakland County, particularly in high tech field. Retraining our unemployed to move into new jobs these businesses provide is priority.

2. Yes. We are more of a facilitator to our local communities than any other county in the United States, contracting with them for law enforcement, mass purchasing, computer services on a contract basis, etc. The county should continue to grow in these services.

2. Yes.

IS THIS ALL YOU WANT TO SAY?

