

County voters signed term limitation petition

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Oakland County played a prominent role in the petition drive to put term limitations on the Michigan ballot in 1992, according to a Troy businessman who feels strongly that government is abusive.

Oakland County is responsible for at least 100,000 of the 402,337 signatures filed Monday with the Elections Bureau of the Michigan Secretary of State's office, according to Raymond B. Dugan, vice president of Time Communications, a computer and communication company. He said the term limitations advocated in Michigan is strictly bipartisan in nature. "It will work against Democrats and Republicans alike."

"It would help get rid of people like (Sen. Carl) Levin and (Sen. Don) Riegle as well as people like (U.S. Rep. William) Broomfield... and (State Rep.) Gordon Sparks," Dugan said. "Term limitations will enable us to clean the scum out of government."

The number of signatures submitted Monday is substantially higher than the 256,457 signatures needed to put term limitations on the ballot, according to Bradley S. Wittman, a spokesman for the elections bureau. So it's likely a proposal on term limitations will be on next November's ballot, he said.

The petitions were filed by an organization calling itself the Campaign to Limit Politicians' Terms.

DUGAN DESCRIBED the organization as a coalition of groups — like the Oakland County Taxpayers Association, of which he is a member and press spokesman — fed up with big government and the insensitivity of elected officials.

"We (the Oakland County Taxpayers Association) did a lot of work on

this petition. Without us, there wouldn't be any term limitation proposal. We put people outside post offices, and 18 out of 20 people would sign. The 20th worked for the government."

The movement toward term limitations in Michigan had some help from a national organization called Americans Against Government Waste, a Washington, D.C.-based group that Dugan said is promoting similar anti-government revolts around the country.

"Americans Against Government Waste gave us two full-time staff people," Dugan said. "We put them to work in an office in Royal Oak, and they really did a job. They helped us with organizing, counting and verifying signatures."

This is a well-organized and well-conceived movement, Dugan said.

"We were careful to make sure that only registered voters signed and we double checked each signature."

INCUMBENTS WOULD NOT be forced to leave office immediately, assuming the ballot proposal is approved next November, Dugan said. "If we had our druthers, they would be out immediately. But we want to avoid problems."

Thus, he said, an official with 20 years in office would be subject to the new limitations the same as a newcomer.

The petitions filed Monday would:

- Limit state representatives to three two-year terms.
- Limit state senators to two four-year terms.
- Limit the governor, attorney general and secretary of state to two four-year terms.

- Limit U.S. representatives to three two-year terms in a 12-year period.
- Limit U.S. senators to two six-year terms in a 24-year period.

On a nationwide basis, term limitations is an idea that is blossoming, Dugan insisted. Some 20 states, including Michigan, are at some stage of voting on term limitations.

The state of Washington, which last month narrowly rejected term limitations, is an exception, Dugan said.

Washington's economy is dominated by defense spending, he explained. "Voters there didn't want to be among the first states to enact term limitations because they'd lose political clout... and jobs."

"But Washington will eventually adopt term limitations," Dugan said. "It's an idea that is blossoming."

FRANK S. STARON of Farmington Hills is a retired Ford Motor Co. engineer who spent an estimated 350 hours working on the term limitation petition, including hours gathering signatures at the Meijer store in Novi.

"There's a connection between term limitations and David Duke," Staron said, referring to the former Nazi and Klux Klan wizard from Louisiana who says he will probably run as a Republican for president in Michigan's March 17 primary.

"People who might vote for David Duke don't necessarily support him," said Staron. "And people who want better government don't necessarily support term limitations."

"But people are turning to Duke and term limitations because they realize something has to be done to return to good government."

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