

How Wayne County Candidates Answer

PARTISAN WAYNE COUNTY OFFICES

This portion of the Voters Guide was prepared by the Leagues of Women Voters of Wayne County: Allen Park, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Detroit, Downriver, Grosse Pointe, and Livonia.

Each candidate received a questionnaire asking for biographical information and the answer to the question: "Why do you want to serve in this office?" The answer was to be given in 100 words or less.

(I) Incumbent

AUDITOR

Six-year term
Salary: \$20,000

DEMOCRAT:

(I) JOHN F. WILLIAMS, 59, 19168 Kentucky, Detroit.

Wayne County Auditor, Royalton Public School, Royalton, Ill; Wilbur Wright, Detroit, Represented. County workers for over 20 years before various boards, commission, departments and agencies, Member of the Board of Supervisors for eight years.

"Upon the retirement of Jacob P. Sumeracki, the personnel in the Auditor's office wanted me to serve, I believe I can do a job that is necessary for the entire County of Wayne.

REPUBLICAN:

RICHARD D. BERTCH, 27, 642 Glynn Ct., Detroit.

Auditor-Auditor General, City of Detroit, Michigan State University B.A. Business Administration, 1964.

"As Wayne County Auditor, my task would be to assure the Citizens of this county that every dollar of revenue is utilized in the most efficient and effective manner, especially assuring adequate services in the most critical areas. I will also make every effort to maintain the highest possible financial control of the funds entrusted by the taxpayers of Wayne County. I will also attempt to provide the need for greater accountability of the Auditors to the electorate through a partisan balance on the Board of Auditors."

COUNTY CLERK

Two-year term
Salary: \$23,000

DEMOCRAT:

(I) EDGAR M. BRANIGEN, 68, 1365 Ford Court, Grosse Pointe Woods.

County Clerk (by professional lawyer). Four years high school, four years Franklin College, Franklin, Ind; four years Detroit College of Law (cum laude). For 10 years a newspaperman with the Detroit News.

"No office in Wayne County serves more people in more ways in the course of a year than the office of County Clerk. My understanding of all these problems makes my knowledge an important factor in the proper operation of the office. I work six days a week and am constantly striving to see that our staff furnishes efficient and polite service to all who need our services. I believe I am qualified, having received the preferred rating of the Detroit Cit-

izens League and endorsements from the AFL CIO each time I have run since 1947."

REPUBLICAN:

CHARLES BROOKS, 458 Marquette, Detroit; Candidate did not respond to questionnaire.

SOCIALIST WORKER:

EDITH GBUR, 39, 15916 Launder, Detroit.

Housewife. High school graduate. Organizer of and fund-raiser for Committee to Aid Monroe Defendants (civil rights group) and Alexander Defense Committee (to aid victims of South African apartheid), and mass anti-war mobilizations in April 1967 and Washington, D.C. 1967. Former office worker.

"The twin parties of war and
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CRIME: YOU CAN TURN THE TIDE



Muggings, robberies, rapes and assaults have risen 88% in seven years. How can you prevent this wave of crime from becoming the wave of the future? Elect Richard Nixon President. Here is part of what he wants to do

1. Restore the balance in the courts. Some of our courts have gone too far in weakening the peace forces as against the criminal forces. Too many guilty men are being freed on technicalities.
 2. Appoint an Attorney General dedicated to rooting out organized crime in America. A crackdown here including the safeguarded use of wiretaps is long overdue.
 3. Help localities improve the quality of their police protection with bloc grants from Federal tax funds.
- Nixon knows that the first civil right of every American is the right to protection from crime and violence.

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here's why

- University of Michigan Law School Grad
- Five Years in Business and Industry
- Eight Years Michigan Ass't Attorney General
- Four Years Private Law Practice
- Served as Plymouth City Attorney
- Active in Community, YMCA and Church Affairs

best qualified Thomas H. Healy for District Judge



Elect
Zelma Peter
Candidate
Garden City Council

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