

# Dallas Public Fraud Prevention Services

Anonymous Hotline Reporting

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November 16, 2003

Mr. Teodoro J. Benavides  
Dallas City Manager  
1500 Marilla Street, Room 4EN  
Dallas, Texas 75201-6390

**RE: Texas Public Information Act – Open Records Request  
Dallas Police & Fire Pension System  
ID # 0301-041**

Dear Mr. Benavides:

The Dallas City Code regarding *Limitation of Terms for Boards and Commissions* states that a person may serve as a member of a particular board for the maximum number of terms that may be fixed for the particular board by the city charter or state or federal law and will not again be eligible to serve on that same board until at least one term has elapsed ([Exhibit "A"](#)).

Pursuant to the Texas Public information Act (Texas Open Records Act), Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, please identify the following regarding the Dallas Police & Fire Pension System's Board of Trustees:

1. Maximum number of consecutive terms for elected trustees;
2. Maximum number of consecutive terms for appointed trustees; and
3. City Charter, state or federal law governing the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System's Board of Trustees.

Please note that we are requesting that your office compile information responsive to this Open Records Request. Copies of documents are preferred, but should documents responsive to this request no longer be available, please note that there is also considerable knowledge within the Board to include the Chairman who has served the Board of Trustees continuously since 1983 ([Exhibit "B"](#)).

Please advise should you have comments or require additional information. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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cc: Honorable Mayor Laura Miller  
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The Dallas City Code  
VOLUME I  
CHAPTER 8 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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**SEC. 8-1.5. LIMITATION OF TERMS.**

(a) A person who has served as a member of a particular board for four consecutive two-year terms will not again be eligible to serve on that same board until at least one term has elapsed, regardless of whether service was as a member or chair. Disqualification of a board appointee under this subsection may be waived by the city council after a review of the specific circumstances.

(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a person may serve as a member of a particular board for the maximum number of terms that may be fixed for the particular board by the city charter or state or federal law and will not again be eligible to serve on that same board until at least one term has elapsed.

(c) In determining whether a full term has been served by a board member, the same definition of "term" that applies to a city council member, as set forth in Chapter III, Section 3A(c) of the city charter, will also apply to a board member. (Ord. Nos. 22259; 22570; 24141)

## Gerald Brown Biography

Mr. Brown has served continuously on the Board of Trustees since 1983. He currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and is a member of the Administrative Advisory Committee. He has served the citizens of Dallas, Texas since 1975 as a firefighter, currently holding the rank of Lieutenant.

Lt. Brown is an active member of the Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems (TEXPERS), the National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems (NCPERS), and has served as an Advisory Board member of the Real Estate Investments for Pension Funds. He has been a speaker at numerous pension seminars and conferences. He attended the University of Texas at Arlington.

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**SECOND REQUEST  
12/02/03**

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