ABSTRACT

THE IMPLICATIONS OF INTERNAL CONFLICTS IN GOLONGAN KARYA PARTY TO THE REGIONAL LEADERSHIP BOARD (DPD) OF GOLONGAN KARYA PARTY IN LAMPUNG PROVINCE

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The internal conflicts of National Leadership Board (DPP) occurring in Golongan Karya Party were conflict which influenced the Regional Leadership Board (DPD) in Lampung Province. The objective of this research was to find out the implications of internal conflict of Golongan Karya Party to the Regional Leadership Board (DPD) of Golongan Karya Party in Lampung Province. This was a qualitative research by taking 7 (seven) informants from conflicting groups and neutral group. Data were collected using observation, interview, documentation, and literary study.

This research used existence theory of political parties to find out the implications of internal conflicts of Golongan Karya Party. This theory was originated by Randall and Svansand, and this theory had four criteria to find out the political party existence; they were 1) system level, 2) value identity, 3) autonomy level, 4) public knowledge.

The research results showed that the implications of internal conflicts in Golongan Karya Party had poor impacts to the party existence. In system level, the impacts
were disunities in the internal of party and unprocedural member firings of party. Impact on party identity was the poor image created to public. Impact on party autonomy level was that there were outside parties who interfered these internal conflicts. Public knowledge showed that public knew these internal conflicts from news of printed and electronic media.

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