1116-VN-1410 Joshua Zelinsky* (joshua.zelinsky@maine.edu). Counting Artin representations with bounded conductor.

We present upper bounds on certain sums which are related to a an average version Artin's primitive root conjecture and are also used in counting ray class characters. Define $\operatorname{ord}_n(a)$ for the order of a in the multiplicative group of invertible residue classes modulo n when (a, n) = 1. Let

$$G(x) = \sum_{n \le x, (n,a)=1} \frac{\phi(n)}{\operatorname{ord}_n(a)}.$$

Then our primary result is any α , we have $G(x) = O(x^2/\log^{\alpha} x)$. An analogous result for number fields is also obtained. (Received September 19, 2015)