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2021 November Court Survey

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SECTION S: SCREENER

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Welcome Back to the SSRS Opinion Panel! We would like to ask you some questions that you will find quite interesting.

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PN: Insert incentive language (in parentheses) if Prob Panel.

SHOW ALL

Thank you for your help with this important poll. It should take you about 7 minutes to complete the survey. (If you complete the survey, you will be provided $5.00 as a thank you for your time and opinions.)

All information you provide will be kept confidential and your name will never be associated with your answers.

Please answer each question to the best of your ability. When you answer the questions, please be as detailed as you can, and please try to make your answers complete.

The survey you are about to take is best experienced on a PC, Laptop or Tablet. You will still be able to take the survey on a smaller screen or mobile device, however; you may need to scroll to the left, right, up, or down. If taking this survey on a mobile device, we recommend that you turn your phone to "landscape".

S1.   We value your opinions and appreciate your participation in this survey!

Please use care when answering the following questions. Should our quality checks determine that you have not provided thoughtful attention to this survey, you may be disqualified and forfeit the associated rewards. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statement.

I will read each question thoroughly and I will respond to all questions thoughtfully and honestly.

1	I agree	
2	I disagree	(TERMINATE)

S2.   What is your age?

_____*(Enter age 18-98)*
99   Prefer not to say

PN: Ask S2a if S2=Prefer not to say.

S2a.   Are you…

0	Under 18
1	18-24
2	25-29
3	30-44
4	45-49
5	50-64
6	65+
9	Prefer not to say (TERM)

PN: If under 18 in S2 or S2a, TERMINATE.

PN: Only qualified respondents continue here. All others TERMINATE.
S3.   To ensure the program is working properly, please select the number "3" below.

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5

SECTION A: OVERALL POLITICAL CLIMATE

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ASK ALL

A1.   Some people seem to follow what's going on in politics most of the time, whether there's an election going on or not. Others aren't that interested. How often do you follow what's going on in politics…?

        1   Most of the time
        2   Some of the time
        3   Only now and then
        4   Hardly at all
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SECTION B: APPROVAL RATINGS & EVALUATIONS

PN: Randomize order of B1-B3.

ASK ALL

B1.   Overall, how much do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

        1   Strongly approve
        2   Somewhat approve
        3   Somewhat disapprove
        4   Strongly disapprove
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

B2.   Overall, how much do you approve or disapprove of the way the US Supreme Court is handling its job?

        1   Strongly approve
        2   Somewhat approve
        3   Somewhat disapprove
        4   Strongly disapprove
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

B3.   Overall, how much do you approve or disapprove of the way the US Congress is handling its job?

        1   Strongly approve
        2   Somewhat approve
        3   Somewhat disapprove
        4   Strongly disapprove
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

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        PN: Randomize Codes 1-3.

B4.   Of the three branches of US government, which one do you trust the most?

        1   The US Congress (the legislative branch)
        2   The Presidency (the executive branch)
        3   The US Supreme Court (the judicial branch)
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Randomize Codes 1 and 2.

B5.   In general, what most often motivates Supreme Court justices' decisions?

        1   Mainly politics
        2   Mainly the law
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Randomize order of B6-B9; include order variable in data. Show as grid.

ASK ALL

In general, would you describe each of the following as…? *(Please select one response for each.)*

		Very conservative	Somewhat conservative	Moderate	Somewhat liberal	Very liberal
B6	The US Supreme Court	1	2	3	4	5
B7	Joe Biden	1	2	3	4	5
B8	The Democratic party	1	2	3	4	5
B9	The Republican party	1	2	3	4	5

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ASK ALL

B10.   How important is the choice of the next Supreme Court justice to you personally?

1   Very important
2   Somewhat important
3   Not too important
4   Not at all important
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Rotate response codes 1-4 and 4-1 so half get each order; include order variable in data.

ASK ALL

B11.   What is your guess as to whether a majority of the current US Supreme Court Justices were appointed by Democratic or Republican presidents?

1   Definitely a majority appointed by Democratic presidents
2   Probably a majority appointed by Democratic presidents
3   Probably a majority appointed by Republican presidents
4   Definitely a majority appointed by Republican presidents
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SECTION C: FAVORABILITY RATINGS

PN: Randomize order of C1-C4; include order variable in data. Show as grid.

ASK ALL

Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people or haven't you heard enough yet to have an opinion? *(Please select one response for each.)*

		Favorable opinion	Unfavorable opinion	Haven't heard enough
C1.	Joe Biden	1	2	3
C2.	Kamala Harris	1	2	3
C3.	Donald Trump	1	2	3
C4.	Mike Pence	1	2	3

99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

SECTION E: COURT REFORM

PN: Randomize order of E1-E3; include order variable in data. Show as grid.

How much do you favor or oppose the following proposals affecting the Supreme Court? *(Please select one response for each.)*

		Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose
E1	Increase the number of justices on the US Supreme Court	1	2	3	4
E2	Have justices serve a fixed term on the Court rather than serving life terms	1	2	3	4
E3	Limit the ability of the Supreme Court to review and set aside acts of Congress as unconstitutional	1	2	3	4

99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

E4. How much have you read or heard about the Presidential Commission on Supreme Court reform?

1 Nothing at all
2 Only a little
3 A fair bit
4 A lot
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

SECTION H: FUTURE SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

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PN: Randomize order of H2-H4 (Keep H1 first).

ASK ALL

H1. Do you favor or oppose the following possible <u>future</u> Supreme Court decisions, or haven't you heard enough about this to have an opinion?

Overturn Roe versus Wade, thus strike down the 1973 decision that made abortion legal in all 50 states.

1 Heard nothing at all
2 Heard of but not enough for an opinion
3 Heard of and favor the decision
4 Heard of and oppose the decision
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

H2. Do you favor or oppose the following possible <u>future</u> Supreme Court decisions, or haven't you heard enough about this to have an opinion?

Rule that the 2nd Amendment right to "keep and bear arms" protects the right to carry a gun outside the home.

1 Heard nothing at all
2 Heard of but not enough for an opinion
3 Heard of and favor the decision
4 Heard of and oppose the decision
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

H3.   Do you favor or oppose the following possible <u>future</u> Supreme Court decisions, or haven't you heard enough about this to have an opinion?

Rule to uphold a state law that (except in cases of medical emergencies or fetal abnormalities) bans abortions after the 15th week of pregnancy.

1   Heard nothing at all
2   Heard of but not enough for an opinion
3   Heard of and favor the decision
4   Heard of and oppose the decision
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

H4.   Do you favor or oppose the following possible <u>future</u> Supreme Court decisions, or haven't you heard enough about this to have an opinion?

Rule that the United States government has the right to bring suit in federal court to try to prohibit Texas Senate Bill 8, the law that bans almost all abortions in the state after about six weeks of pregnancy, from being enforced.

1   Heard nothing at all
2   Heard of but not enough for an opinion
3   Heard of and favor the decision
4   Heard of and oppose the decision
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

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ASK All

G1.   Do you favor or oppose the federal government requiring that companies with more than 100 employees mandate coronavirus vaccinations or weekly testing for unvaccinated workers?

        1   Favor
        2   Oppose
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

G2.   Have you personally received the coronavirus vaccine, or not?

        1   Yes-Single dose vaccine (J&J)
        2   Yes-Received first of two doses (Pfizer/Moderna)
        3   Yes-Gotten both doses (Pfizer/Moderna)
        4   Yes-And have had booster dose (of any brand)
        5   No-Have not received vaccine
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Ask if did not receive vaccine (G2=5).

ASK THOSE WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED VACCINE

G3.   Will you definitely get a coronavirus vaccine, probably get it, probably not get it, or definitely not get it?

        1   Definitely get it
        2   Probably get it
        3   Probably not get it
        4   Definitely not get it
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

G4.   Do you think the current level of coronavirus cases in your state is a serious problem or not a serious problem?

        1   Serious problem
        2   Not serious problem
        99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

G5. How confident are you that, across the country, the votes for president were accurately cast and counted in last year's election?

1   Very confident
2   Somewhat confident
3   Not too confident
4   Not at all confident
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

G6. A new Texas law bans abortions after about six weeks of pregnancy, once cardiac activity can be detected, and it allows any private citizen to sue anyone who performs an abortion or assists someone in obtaining an abortion. Do you favor or oppose this law, or haven't you heard enough about this to have an opinion?

1   Favor
2   Oppose
3   Haven't heard enough
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

SECTION X: CALIBRATION ITEMS

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ASK ALL

X1. In any election, some people are not able to vote because they are sick or busy or have some other reason, and others do not want to vote. Did you vote in the election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020?

1   Yes
2   No
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Ask if did not vote in election (X1=2).

ASK IF DID NOT VOTE

X2. Were you registered to vote in the November 3, 2020 election?

1   Yes
2   No
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

X3.   Would you like to see Donald Trump run for president in 2024, or not?

    1   Yes
    2   No
    99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Randomize Codes 1-2 in X4 wording <u>and</u> response codes.

ASK ALL

X4.   If the 2024 election for president were held today between [Donald Trump, the Republican] and [Joe Biden, the Democrat] would you vote for [Donald Trump] or for [Joe Biden]?

    1   Donald Trump
    2   Joe Biden
    3   Someone else
    4   Wouldn't vote
    99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Randomize order of X5-X6. Save order as data.

ASK ALL

X5.   How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right?

    1   Just about always
    2   Most of the time
    3   Only some of the time
    4   Never
    99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

X6.   Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted, or most people can't be trusted?

    1   Most people can be trusted
    2   Most people can't be trusted
    99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

SECTION Z: DEMOGRAPHICS

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Z1. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?

1 Republican
2 Democrat
3 Independent
4 Other/No preference
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

PN: If 1 or 2 in Z1, ask Z2A. Otherwise, skip to Z2B.

ASK IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT (Z1= 1 OR 2)
Z2A. Would you call yourself a strong [IF Z1=1: Republican] [IF Z1=2: Democrat] or a not very strong [IF Z1=1: Republican] [IF Z1=2: Democrat]?

1 Strong
2 Not very strong
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

PN: If 3 or 4 in Z1, ask Z2B.

ASK IF INDEPENDENT OR OTHER (Z1= 3 OR 4)
Z2B. Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or to the Democratic Party?

1 Republican
2 Democratic
3 Neither
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
Z3. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

1 More than once a week
2 Once a week
3 Once or twice a month
4 A few times a year
5 Seldom
6 Never
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
Z4. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

1 Yes, would
2 No, would not

99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: This is pPolview reasked.

ASK ALL

Z5.   Generally speaking, how would you describe your political views?

1   Very conservative
2   Somewhat conservative
3   Moderate
4   Somewhat liberal
5   Very liberal
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN: Z6-Z7 are calibration questions for weighing. Z6 is CE14 internally and Z7 is CE17 internally. Note that for each Court Survey, these two questions may be adjusted related to context around the COVID-19 pandemic.

ASK ALL

Z6.   Thinking back to the months prior to the COVID-19 outbreak in the US, how often did you talk with any of your neighbors?

1   Basically, every day
2   A few times a week
3   A few times a month
4   Once a month
5   Less than once a month
6   Not at all
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

Z7.   We are interested in volunteer activities for which people are not paid, except perhaps expenses. In the last 12 months, have you done any volunteer activities through or for an organization?

1   Yes
2   No
99   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

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CLOSING SCREEN: The survey is now complete. Thank you for your time and cooperation!