

# Marquette University: Marquette Law School Poll to release results of national surveys on U.S. Supreme Court, political topics, March 29-30

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MILWAUKEE — The Marquette Law School Poll will release the results of its national survey of public opinion over two days, March 29-30, via written releases.

**On Wednesday, March 29, the Marquette Law School Poll will release results pertaining to public opinion about the U.S. Supreme Court.** The survey looks at national approval of, and confidence in, the Supreme Court, local courts, the FBI, the police, and other institutions. The poll surveys public opinion with respect to cases currently before the Court involving the consideration of race in college admissions and whether a business owner's religious beliefs can justify denying services to gay or lesbian customers. Views of recent decisions on abortion and same-sex marriage are also included. The survey measures public awareness of and favorability toward each of the nine justices. Respondents are also asked about their view of the Court's ideological position. This is the 13th installment in a series of nationwide surveys, begun in 2019, measuring public understanding and opinion of the nation's highest court.

**The second release, on Thursday, March 30, will concern findings of the Marquette Law School Poll's national survey on policy preferences and political topics.** This survey includes Republicans' preferences for the GOP presidential nomination and the support among Democrats for President Joe Biden to seek a second term. The poll updates favorability measures of potential Republican candidates, including former President Donald Trump, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, former Vice President Mike Pence, and former South Carolina Gov. Nikki

Haley, among others. On the Democratic side, favorability is measured for Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, and Pete Buttigieg, U.S. Secretary of Transportation. Trial heats for the general election, between Biden and Trump and between Biden and DeSantis, are measured. A number of public policy issues are also considered, including aid to Ukraine and America's role in the world. The survey also asks about recognition and favorability toward 10 governors from around the country and in both parties.

The written releases and corresponding data will be distributed and made available at 1 a.m. ET (midnight CT) on the [Marquette Law School Poll website](#). Earlier embargoed written releases of these national surveys will be available to members of the media who formally [register their interest in advance online](#) and agree to stated embargo policies. Reporters who have registered for previous embargoes do not need to register again.

***Interviews with Franklin following the poll's releases are available on request by contacting Kevin Conway at [kevin.m.conway@marquette.edu](mailto:kevin.m.conway@marquette.edu).***

Begun in 2012, the Marquette Law School Poll is the most extensive statewide polling project in Wisconsin history. Since 2019, the Law School's surveys of national public opinion about the U.S. Supreme Court have expanded the work of the poll both geographically and to a new set of topics of broad importance, and more recently the national survey has included political topics. Franklin has directed the poll since its inception and is a professor of law and public policy at Marquette Law School. His academic articles on partisanship, public opinion, the Supreme Court, and U.S. Senate elections have appeared in major journals and as book chapters. He is a past president of the Society for Political Methodology and an elected fellow of the society. He holds a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Michigan and was a professor of political science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison before coming to Marquette.