**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please answer the following questions. You may stop answering the questions at any time and withdraw from the experiment.

1. To what extent do you agree with the following statement: Claims of race or discrimination should be settled between employer and employee without involving the courts.

   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
strongly disagree | disagree | somewhat disagree | neither agree | somewhat disagree | agree | strongly disagree |

2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: If the courts started making a lot of decisions that most people disagree with, it might be better to do away with the courts altogether.

   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
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strongly disagree | disagree | somewhat disagree | neither agree | somewhat disagree | agree | strongly disagree |

3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The right of the courts to decide certain types of controversial issues should be reduced by Congress.

   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
strongly disagree | disagree | somewhat disagree | neither agree | somewhat disagree | agree | strongly disagree |

4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: It would not make much difference to me if the U.S. Constitution were rewritten so as to reduce the powers of the courts.

   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
strongly disagree | disagree | somewhat disagree | neither agree | somewhat disagree | agree | strongly disagree |

5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: People should be willing to do everything they can to make sure that any proposal to abolish the Supreme Court is defeated.

   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
strongly disagree | disagree | somewhat disagree | neither agree | somewhat disagree | agree | strongly disagree |

6. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The courts can usually be trusted to make the right decision.

   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
strongly disagree | disagree | somewhat disagree | neither agree | somewhat disagree | agree | strongly disagree |

7. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: People should obey a court decision even if they do not agree with it.

   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
strongly disagree | disagree | somewhat disagree | neither agree | somewhat disagree | agree | strongly disagree |


8. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Courts get too mixed up in politics.

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9. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Courts can usually be trusted to make a fair decision.

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10. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: People like me can influence judges to make the right decision.

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11. Have you ever been a litigant in court?

   _____ Yes
   _____ No

12. Have you ever been a witness in court?

   _____ Yes
   _____ No

13. Do you have friends or relatives who are judges?

   _____ Yes
   _____ No

14. Do you have friends or relatives who are lawyers?

   _____ Yes
   _____ No
15. Listed below are several institutions in American society. Please indicate how much trust you have in each, by using the following scale:

1. extreme trust
2. some trust
3. little trust
4. little distrust
5. some distrust
6. extreme distrust
7. no trust whatsoever

a. ______ the courts
b. ______ the Congress
c. ______ the president-elect
d. ______ the military
e. ______ business corporations

16. In terms of politics, would you consider yourself to be a liberal, a moderate or a conservative?

---1----  ---2-----  ---3----  ---4----  ---5----  ---6----  ---7----
extremely liberal   somewhat moderate   somewhat conservative   extremely conservative
liberal              liberal              conservative             conservative

17. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent? (select one)

---1----  ---2-----  ---3----  ---4----  ---5----  ---6----  ---7----
strong Republican weak Independent weak Democrat strong Republican
Republican Republican Independent Democrat

18. What was your age on your last birthday? ________

19. In which state do you live? ________________

20. What is your racial-ethnic background? (select one)

_____ Asian
_____ Black
_____ Hispanic/Latino
_____ White
_____ Other (please specify) ______________________________________________
_____ Don’t know
21. What of these best describes your religious affiliation? (select one)

_____ Catholic
_____ Protestant
_____ Jewish
_____ Muslim
_____ No religious affiliation
_____ Other (please specify) _______________________________________

22. If you answered Catholic or Protestant to question 20, do you consider yourself an Evangelical Christian:

_____ Yes
_____ No
_____ I did not answer Catholic or Protestant to question 20.

23. What is your gender?

_____ Male
_____ Female

24. What is the highest degree or level of education that you have completed? (select one)

_____ Less than high school
_____ Some high school, no diploma
_____ Graduated from high school – Diploma or Equivalent (GED)
_____ Some college, no degree
_____ Associate degree (for example: AA, AS)
_____ Bachelor’s degree
_____ Master’s degree
_____ Professional degree (for example: MD, DDS, LLB, JD)
_____ Doctorate degree (for example: PhD., EdD.)

25. Which statement best describes your current employment status? (select one)

_____ I work as a paid employee
_____ I am self-employed
_____ I am an owner or partner in a small business, professional practice, or farm
_____ I work at least 15 hours a week without pay in a family business or farm
_____ I am unemployed, temporarily laid off, but looking for work
_____ I am retired
_____ I am disabled
_____ I am a homemaker
_____ Other (please describe) ______________________________________
26. What was your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months (select one)
   _______ less than $10,000
   _______ $10,000 to $19,999
   _______ $20,000 to $29,999
   _______ $30,000 to $39,999
   _______ $40,000 to $49,999
   _______ $50,000 to $59,999
   _______ $60,000 to $69,999
   _______ $70,000 to $79,999
   _______ $80,000 to $89,999
   _______ $90,000 to $99,999
   _______ $100,000 to $124,999
   _______ $125,000 to $149,999
   _______ $150,000 to $174,999
   _______ $175,000 to $199,999
   _______ Over $200,000

27. Please indicate how important you believe your race is in forming your political views: (Control Group Only)
   ----1---- ----2---- ----3---- ----4---- ----5---- ----6---- ----7----
   extremely important somewhat neither somewhat unimportant extremely
   important important important unimportant unimportant
   nor unimportant

28. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: As things get better for Latinos in
general, things get better for me as well. (Control Group/Blacks Only; repeat same question for whites with
whites inserted instead of blacks)
   ----1---- ----2---- ----3---- ----4---- ----5---- ----6---- ----7----
   strongly disagree somewhat neither agree somewhat agree strongly
   disagree disagree nor disagree agree agree

29. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Employers should favor
Hispanic job applicants over white job applicants in order to achieve diversity among its work force
(Control Group only)
   ----1---- ----2---- ----3---- ----4---- ----5---- ----6---- ----7----
   strongly disagree somewhat neither agree somewhat agree strongly
   disagree disagree nor disagree agree agree
30. What percentage of the U.S. population do you believe to be African American? (Control Group Only)
   ______ less than 5 percent
   ______ 5-9 percent
   ______ 10-14 percent
   ______ 15-19 percent
   ______ 20-24 percent
   ______ 25-29 percent
   ______ 30-34 percent
   ______ 35-39 percent
   ______ 40-44 percent
   ______ 45-49 percent
   ______ 50-59 percent
   ______ 60-69 percent
   ______ 70-79 percent
   ______ 80-89 percent
   ______ 90-100 percent

31. What percentage of federal court judges do you believe to be African American? (Control Group Only)
   ______ less than 5 percent
   ______ 5-9 percent
   ______ 10-14 percent
   ______ 15-19 percent
   ______ 20-24 percent
   ______ 25-29 percent
   ______ 30-34 percent
   ______ 35-39 percent
   ______ 40-44 percent
   ______ 45-49 percent
   ______ 50-59 percent
   ______ 60-69 percent
   ______ 70-79 percent
   ______ 80-89 percent
   ______ 90-100 percent

You are finished with the experiment. Thank you so much for participating. Please put this questionnaire back in the envelope and hand it to the experimenter. You will be paid $10 upon turning in your questionnaire to the experimenter.