Supplementary Appendix A – Study 1 Survey

Note. Participants were randomly assigned between-subjects to answer items about either the House, the Senate. Participants completed the same set of measures twice; once for Democratic politicians and once for Republican politicians. The order of politician’s party was randomized within-subjects.

Political Knowledge Questions (Always Administered First at the Beginning of both the Democratic and Republican Politician Versions of the Survey):

Please answer the following questions about [Republican/Democratic] members of the US House of Representatives (AKA, "[House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats]")

[House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] tend to be...
- Extremely Liberal
- Liberal
- Slightly Liberal
- Moderate / Middle of the Road
- Slightly Conservative
- Conservative
- Extremely Conservative

Which branch of government do [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] belong to?
- Judicial
- Legislative
- Executive

Emotion Ratings (Assigned in Random Order):

Instructions: Please rate how strongly you feel each of the following emotions towards [Republican/Democratic] members of the House of Representatives

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ANGER
- Not at all
- Just a little
- Somewhat
- Moderately
- Quite a lot
- Very much
[Photo of female model making a prototypic contempt expression; Image was model “MM” from Standard Expressor Version of the JACFEE; omitted for copyright purposes; purchased from http://www.humintell.com/research-news/]

Contempt
- Not at all
- Just a little
- Somewhat
- Moderately
- Quite a lot
- Very much

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Disgust
- Not at all
- Just a little
- Somewhat
- Moderately
- Quite a lot
- Very much

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Fear
- Not at all
- Just a little
- Somewhat
- Moderately
- Quite a lot
- Very much

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Happy
- Not at all
- Just a little
- Somewhat
- Moderately
- Quite a lot
- Very much
Sadness
✓ Not at all
✓ Just a little
✓ Somewhat
✓ Moderately
✓ Quite a lot
✓ Very much

Surprise (changed to “shock” in Study 2)
✓ Not at all
✓ Just a little
✓ Somewhat
✓ Moderately
✓ Quite a lot
✓ Very much

Hostile vs. Friendly Behavioral Tendencies (Not Included in Present Study; Assigned in Random Order):

For the following questions, Imagine that you are in a situation where you meet, in person, a typical [Republican/Democratic] member of the [House of Representatives/Senate]. Please rate how likely you would be to feel like doing any of the following behaviors. Remember, we are asking about what you would feel like doing, not what you would actually do!

If the [Republican/Democratic] [House/Senate] member was shaking hands with people, and extended their hand to you... would you feel like you wanted to shake hands?
✓ Very Unlikely
✓ Unlikely
✓ Somewhat unlikely
✓ Unsure
✓ Somewhat likely
✓ Likely
✓ Very Likely
If the [Republican/Democratic] [House/Senate] member looked directly at you, would you feel like giving them a dirty look?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

Would you feel like you wanted to praise them?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

Would you feel like hugging them?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

Would you want to take a picture with them?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely
Would you feel like you wanted to shout, swear, or yell at them?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

Would you feel like you wanted to punch, slap, or otherwise hit them?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

Would you feel like cheering for them?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

Would you feel sick to your stomach just by looking at them?
- Very Unlikely
- Unlikely
- Somewhat unlikely
- Unsure
- Somewhat likely
- Likely
- Very Likely

**Competency and Character Attitudes (Not Included in Present Study; Assigned Random Order):**
Please answer the following questions about [Republican/Democratic] members of the US House of Representatives (AKA, "[House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats]")
Are most [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] doing a bad job, or a good job?
- Very Bad
- Bad
- Somewhat bad
- Neither Good or Bad
- Somewhat good
- Good
- Very Good

How competent do you think most [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] are?
- Very incompetent
- Incompetent
- Somewhat incompetent
- Neither competent or incompetent
- Somewhat competent
- Competent
- Very competent

How would you morally judge most [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats]?
- Very immoral
- Immoral
- Somewhat immoral
- Neither moral or immoral
- Somewhat moral
- Moral
- Very moral

Are most [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] helping or harming this country?
- Completely harming
- Mostly harming
- Somewhat harming
- Neither harming or helping
- Somewhat helping
- Mostly helping
- Completely helping
How corrupt are most [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats]?
- Completely Corrupt
- Corrupt
- Somewhat corrupt
- Neither corrupt or non-corrupt
- Somewhat non-corrupt
- Non-corrupt
- Completely non-corrupt

How willing to compromise are most [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats]?
- Completely unwilling
- Unwilling
- Somewhat unwilling
- Neither willing or unwilling
- Somewhat willing
- Willing
- Completely willing

How hypocritical are most [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats]?
- Completely hypocritical
- Hypocritical
- Somewhat hypocritical
- Neither hypocritical or unhypocritical
- Somewhat unhypocritical
- Unhypocritical
- Completely unhypocritical

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "[House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] are controlled by special interests"
- Completely disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree or disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Completely agree

**Political Action Questions (Not Included in Present Study; Assigned in Random Order):**
Please state whether you would be unwilling or willing to do any of the following actions towards a typical [Republican/Democratic] member of the US [House of Representatives/Senate] (AKA "[House/Senate] [Republican/Democrat]").
Would you be willing to make contributions to a political action organization dedicated to getting [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] out of office? (Via negative TV ads or support for opponents).

- Very unwilling
- Unwilling
- Somewhat unwilling
- Unsure
- Somewhat willing
- Willing
- Very willing

Would you be willing to vote for a typical [House/Senate] [Democrat/Republican]?

- Very unwilling
- Unwilling
- Somewhat unwilling
- Unsure
- Somewhat willing
- Willing
- Very willing

Would you be willing to donate money to the campaign of a typical [House/Senate] [Democrat/Republican]?

- Very unwilling
- Unwilling
- Somewhat unwilling
- Unsure
- Somewhat willing
- Willing
- Very willing

Would you be willing to volunteer your time for the campaign of a typical [House/Senate] [Democrat/Republican]?

- Very unwilling
- Unwilling
- Somewhat unwilling
- Unsure
- Somewhat willing
- Willing
- Very willing
Political Intolerance (Not Included in Present Study, Assigned in Random Order; Reverse-Coded such that Higher Scores Indicate Greater Intolerance):

Please rate how angry you would feel if any of the following things happened to a typical [Republican/Democratic] member of the [House of Representatives/Senate] (AKA “[House/Senate] [Republican/Democrat]”)

How angry would you feel if a political opposition group released a TV ad with completely false accusations about a typical House Republican?
- Not angry at all
- Somewhat not angry
- Somewhat angry
- Very angry

How angry would you feel if a mayor prevented [House/Senate] [Republicans/Democrats] from giving speeches in their town or city?
- Not angry at all
- Somewhat not angry
- Somewhat angry
- Very angry

How angry would you feel if people rigged an election to make a typical [House/Senate] [Republican/Democratic] lose that election?
- Not angry at all
- Somewhat not angry
- Somewhat angry
- Very angry

Demographics (Always Completed at End of Survey):

Please answer the following demographic questions

Age
Gender
○ Male
○ Female
○ Other

Race/Ethnicity
○ Asian / Pacific Islander
○ Black or African American
○ Hispanic or Latino/a
○ Native American or Alaskan Native
○ White/Caucasian
○ Other (Please Specify)

Race/Ethnicity - Other

Level of Education
○ Some high school, no diploma
○ High school diploma
○ GED
○ Some college credit, no degree (No longer in college)
○ Currently in college
○ Trade/Technical/Vocational training
○ Associate’s degree
○ Bachelor’s degree
○ Master’s degree
○ Professional degree
○ Doctorate

Which best describes your religious views?
○ Agnostic
○ Atheist
○ Buddhist
○ Christian (No specific affiliation)
○ Christian - Catholic
○ Christian - Evangelical
○ Christian - Orthodox
○ Christian - Protestant
○ Hindu
○ Jewish
○ Muslim
○ Spiritual, but not religious
○ Other
Religion - Other

What best describes your employment status?
- Employed full-time
- Employed part time
- Student
- Unemployed - less than 6 months
- Unemployed - more than 6 months
- Retired
- Not employed, not looking for employment
- Under-employed (job does not fit your level of education, skills, or training)

What is your total household income?
- 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 $149,999
- $150,000 or more

Which US political party do you most closely identify with?
- Republican
- Democrat
- Green
- Libertarian
- Other
- None

Regardless of your political party affiliation (or lack of affiliation), which party do you generally prefer to win elections?
- Totally prefer Democrats to win elections
- Mostly prefer Democrats to win elections
- Somewhat prefer Democrats to win elections
- Don't prefer or don't care which party wins elections
- Somewhat prefer [Republicans/Democrats] to win elections
- Mostly prefer [Republicans/Democrats] to win elections
- Totally prefer [Republicans/Democrats] to win elections
How would you generally describe your political views?
- Very liberal
- Mostly liberal
- Somewhat liberal
- Centrist / Moderate
- Somewhat conservative
- Mostly conservative
- Very conservative

When it comes to economic issues, how would you describe your political views?
- Very liberal
- Mostly liberal
- Somewhat liberal
- Centrist / Moderate
- Somewhat conservative
- Mostly conservative
- Very conservative

When it comes to social issues, how would you describe your political views?
- Very liberal
- Mostly liberal
- Somewhat liberal
- Centrist / Moderate
- Somewhat conservative
- Mostly conservative
- Very conservative

What US state do you live in?
(Text Entry)

What is the name of the city, town, village, or general area where you live?

Which of these best describes the city, town, or general area where you live?
- Urban
- Suburban
- Rural
- Isolated (very low population)
Regardless of your personal views, how would you characterize the political leanings of your city, town, village, or general area you live in?

- Very liberal
- Mostly liberal
- Somewhat liberal
- Centrist / Moderate
- Somewhat conservative
- Mostly conservative
- Very conservative