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Democratic Voters: Anita Alvarez Survey

CHICAGO, IL - Ogden & Fry, conducted a 3-question poll for **The Illinois Observer** on Tuesday, December 8, for State's Attorney Anita Alvarez' job approval rating among Cook County Democrats with 551 respondents. Respondents were selected by random sampling of likely 2016 Democratic Primary voters. The margin of error for this poll is +/- 4.26% at the 95% confidence interval.

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez is handling her job?

Approve	337	61.2%
Disapprove	127	23.0%
Undecided	87	15.8%

Since the release of the Laquan McDonald shooting video, there have been calls for Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez to resign over her handling of the McDonald case. Do you think Anita Alvarez should resign?

Yes	340	61.7%
No	136	24.7%
Undecided	75	13.6%

If the 2016 Democratic Primary for Cook County State's Attorney was held today, for which candidate would you vote?

Anita Alvarez	100	18.1%
Kim Foxx	110	20.0%
Donna More	38	6.9%
Undecided	303	55.0%



ANALYSIS

Note: This universe of respondents is limited to Cook County voters who have voted in at least 2 of the last 3 Democratic primaries and never voted Republican. In other words, this poll is Cook County Democrats, not all Cook County voters.

When initially asked about Anita Alvarez' job performance, over 61% of Cook County Democrats approved. When asked if Alvarez should resign in light of the Laquan McDonald case, an equal percentage (61%) also said "yes."

Since the responses of the first two questions seems contradictory, the poll questions and answers, data, and results were double-checked for accuracy. It appears the Laquan McDonald case is so emotionally charged that nearly 40% of respondents who initially approved of State's Attorney Alvarez' performance thought she should resign in light of her handling of the McDonald case.

Democrats slightly prefer Kim Foxx over Alvarez, but 55% remain undecided. It is not good for an incumbent to be trailing an opponent at the beginning of the campaign season.

Expect the Laquan McDonald case to dominate this race.

METHODOLOGY

Ogden & Fry strives to increase the accuracy of political polling by measuring voters most likely to vote based on voter history. Voting is a socialized behavior with predictable reliability and consistency.

Ogden & Fry maintains a database with 20 years of voting history. For this job-approval survey, voters were randomly selected from voters who voted in at least 2 of the last 3 Democratic Primary elections and never voted Republican.



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CROSSTABS

Respondents by Gender

Male	244	44.3%
Female	307	55.7%

Respondents by Age

Age 18 – 30	17	3.2%
Age 31 - 45	71	13.4%
Age 46 - 64	196	37.1%
Age 65 plus	244	46.2%

Respondents by City

ALSIP Count	4
BARRINGTON Count	1
BELLWOOD Count	4
BERWYN Count	1
BLUE ISLAND Count	2
BRIDGEVIEW Count	2
BROADVIEW Count	2
CALUMET CITY Count	10
CHICAGO Count	386
CHICAGO HEIGHTS Count	4
CICERO Count	5
COUNTRY CLUB HILLS Count	3
CRESTWOOD Count	1
DES PLAINES Count	5
DIXMOOR Count	1
DOLTON Count	2
ELK GROVE VILLAGE Count	1
ELMWOOD PARK Count	2
EVANSTON Count	11



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FLOSSMOOR Count	3
FOREST PARK Count	4
FRANKLIN PARK Count	2
GLENVIEW Count	2
HARVEY Count	5
HICKORY HILLS Count	1
HILLSIDE Count	1
HOMEWOOD Count	3
LA GRANGE Count	1
LANSING Count	2
LEMONT Count	1
LINCOLNWOOD Count	1
LYNWOOD Count	4
MARKHAM Count	1
MATTESON Count	8
MAYWOOD Count	4
MELROSE PARK Count	1
MORTON GROVE Count	1
MOUNT PROSPECT Count	1
NORTHBROOK Count	2
NORTHLAKE Count	1
OAK FOREST Count	1
OAK LAWN Count	1
OAK PARK Count	6
OLYMPIA FIELDS Count	2
ORLAND PARK Count	6
PALATINE Count	1
PALOS HILLS Count	2
PARK RIDGE Count	3
PHOENIX Count	1
RIVER FOREST Count	1
RIVER GROVE Count	2
RIVERDALE Count	5
ROBBINS Count	2
SAUK VILLAGE Count	1
SCHAUMBURG Count	1
SKOKIE Count	4



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SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS Count	1
SOUTH HOLLAND Count	6
STICKNEY Count	1
STREAMWOOD Count	1
SUMMIT Count	1
WESTCHESTER Count	2
WESTERN SPRINGS Count	1
WILMETTE Count	3