

To: Interested Parties

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Re: Democratic Candidates for Attorney General are Outperforming Across the Country

Polling across seven battleground states – Arizona, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Nevada, and Wisconsin – shows that Democratic candidates for Attorney General have the momentum over their Republican opponents. Trump is deeply unpopular across states and Democrats consistently overperform partisan fundamentals, even in the reddest of these electorates.

Key Findings

Trump is deeply unpopular across states. Trump's average favorability rating across states sits at 42% favorable / 53% unfavorable, despite his having carried the majority of these states in 2024, many by wide margins. Even in states as red as Iowa and Kansas, he's underwater by 6 points and 10 points, respectively. That puts Democratic AG candidates in a strong position to capitalize on dissatisfaction with the status quo. In fact, across states, Democratic candidates are consistently rated by double digits as more likely than their opponents to take the right approach to Trump.

Democrats are significantly overperforming the partisan fundamentals. On average, these states lean Republican on party self-identification by 5 points (46% to 41%). And yet, on the generic vote for AG – which we asked in each state – voters prefer Democrats over Republicans by 47% to 45% on average. Moreover, there is not a single state in which the named race for AG is not at least within the margin of error – and in several of these states, the Democratic candidate is overcoming partisan headwinds by a large margin:

- In Arizona, Democrat Kris Mayes leads Republican Warren Petersen, 50% to 43%. That comes despite Republicans holding an 8-point advantage on party registration and a 5-point advantage on party identification.
- In Kansas, despite an electorate that leans Republican by 18 points on party self-identification, Democrat Chris Mann leads Republican Kris Kobach by 4 points (49% to 45%). Voters view the Republican incumbent unfavorably by 10 points (37% positive / 47% negative), while they view the Democratic challenger favorably by 13 points (32% positive / 19% negative).
- In Wisconsin, despite an electorate that's evenly split on partisanship, Democrat Josh Kaul is beating Republican Eric Toney by 7 points (50% to 43%), including by 30 points with independents.
- In Georgia, although the electorate is evenly split on partisanship (+2 Republican by self-identification), Democrat Tanya Miller leads Republican Brian Strickland in the AG race, 46% to 43%.
- In Michigan, Democrat Eli Savit leads Republican Doug Lloyd by 3 points (43% to 40% in a multi-way race; 47% to 44% in a 2-way race), and Savit bests Lloyd by 23 points among Independents.

- In Nevada, Democrat Nicole Cannizzaro leads Republican Adriana Guzmán Fralick by 3 points head-to-head (47% to 44%), even though Republicans hold a slight lead on partisan self-identification (42% Democrat / 44% Republican).
- In Iowa, the race between Democrat Nate Willems and Republican Brenna Bird is within the margin of error, despite an electorate that leans Republican by 11 points on party self-identification and voted for Trump by 10 points in 2024.

At a time when voters prioritize the cost of living above all else, Democratic candidates for AG are seen as stronger than their Republican opponents. In every state where we asked these attributes, Democratic AG candidates are seen as better than Republican AG candidates when it comes to standing up to powerful corporations and special interests, fighting for affordable healthcare, and holding data centers accountable.

ABOUT THE POLLING

Global Strategy Group conducted seven separate surveys of 800 likely 2026 general election voters in Arizona, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Nevada, and Wisconsin, between September 27 and October 1, 2026. Each survey has a margin of error of +/- 3.5% overall. Care has been taken to ensure the geographic, political, and demographic divisions of the population of likely voters in each state are properly represented.