

Jonathan Lockwood Republican Mouthpiece, Fear-Mongering Twitter Bully

News broke recently that Jonathan Lockwood will leave the Oregon Senate Republican office and join the Knute Buehler for Governor campaign.

Lockwood came to Oregon after running conservative advocacy groups in Colorado, including a Koch-funded youth voter organization. In Colorado, he quickly earned a reputation for crossing the line. In 2015, he targeted Senator Michael Bennet and his vote on the Iran deal with an [ad](#) that featured children counting down to a nuclear bomb and drew [widespread condemnation](#).

It prompted the *Denver Post* editorial board to call Lockwood [“flat-out deranged”](#) on the issue.



The *Colorado Independent* called him a [“smearmeister”](#) and went on to call his style “amped-up, fear-mongering and spiteful.”

His internet personality is bombastic and bullying and far outside the mainstream of Oregon values. Case in point: when he was photographed wearing a “STOP BEING POOR” t-shirt.

In early 2017, Lockwood took over the Oregon Senate GOP communications shop. He wasted little time sending out inflammatory press releases that were more fantasy than fact.

His press releases include an assortment of hyperbole, attacks on women’s reproductive care, and fearmongering.

Like this [release](#):

ANARCHIC: Criminal aliens shielded by Left's symbolism
Murder victim advocates outraged, fearful

Or this [one](#):

VICE CITY - SALEM: Dems kill Republicans' effort to safeguard academic faculty from being exploited by thuggish Unions

Or this [one](#), which was later [debunked by The Oregonian](#).

COERCION: Dems force Oregonians to fund late-term, sex-selective, other types of selective abortions

Despite bipartisan opposition in Legislature "abortion free for all" heads to former abortion lobbyist governor's desk

Or this "Axis of Evil / Lake of Fire" press statement:

It was the Brown-Kotek-Union axis of evil, not Republicans, who threw Kitzhaber into the lake of fire. Now, the Trump administration has essentially offered redemption to a former Democrat governor of alleged wrongdoing that Brown used as a stepping stone to national politics. Kate Brown better watch out because Kitzhaber could want the rest of his term back, and then Brown could see slip away her chance of running against Trump in 2020. Kate Brown has already raised half-a-million for her next reelection campaign and she is traveling the United States and even to Germany for a UN conference, abusing Oregonians in the process. Every Oregonian should be looking at all of this and this Legislative session for what it is: an abject failure of leadership from Portland Democrats in the Statehouse.

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Lockwood has also been vocal on social media, spreading wild conspiracy theories.



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Lockwood has made a habit of dismissing any news he does not like as “fake news” or “biased media.”



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His attacks on media also include a [press release](#) that blasted an editorial from the Statesman Journal and quoted the Senate Minority leader calling the paper “fake news” and urging readers to throw it in the trash.

"There is journalism, the hard, tedious work of real journalism, and there's fake news. Oregonians have to decide for themselves which media to trust, and which media to throw in the trash."

The news release was so swiftly condemned that Lockwood eventually issued a [retraction](#) on behalf of the office.