

Dear Chairs Gorsek, Sollman and the rest of the members of the Committee:

My name is Robert Snee and I am an attorney living and practicing in Beaverton. I am an American who is glad his early education emphasized the importance of the foundations of this country, including the history which led to the Declaration of Independence, the acknowledgement of inalienable rights which we are endowed with from our existence, and the restrictions on government which are contained within our US and State Constitution. As one of the co-founders of Oregonians for Medical Freedom, and on behalf of the thousands of members of OFMF, I need to express my outrage that the holder of the public office for the chief legal officer of the state, expressly encourages the infringement of the rights of Oregonians.

Ms. Rosenblum, your webpage, Ellenrosenblum.com, proclaims that **“As Attorney General, protecting the rights of every Oregonian is my top priority – I work for you, I fight for you, and I will never stop.”**

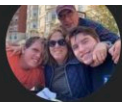
Regrettably, this statement itself is false and misinformation. Article I, Section 8 of the Oregon Constitution, states: “Freedom of speech and press. No law shall be passed restraining the free expression of opinion, or restricting the right to speak, write, or print freely on any subject whatever; but every person shall be responsible for the abuse of this right.”

However, on March 24<sup>th</sup> of this year, Ms. Rosenblum signed her name along with attorney generals from eleven other states, to a letter drafted by the Connecticut Attorney General and directed to the CEO’s of Twitter and Facebook, claiming quote, anti-vaxxers are “spreading falsehoods and misleading Americans about the safety of coronavirus vaccines are threatening the health of our communities,” and demanding that the social media platforms “curtail the dissemination of such information.”

On one hand, I wish the Attorney General would be more specific in identifying the alleged “misinformation,” because so far, I have seen peer reviewed scientific studies, statistics directly from the CDC, quotes from the submissions to the FDA by the vaccine manufacturers of the Covid vaccines, as well as Oregonian’s personal experiences with the vaccines, all identified by Facebook’s “fact checkers” as containing “misinformation.”

For example, attached is a screenshot of the type of information Facebook is censoring, a graph representing data from the CDC about the growth of autism in this country. There is no mention whatsoever in the graph or the post which mentions vaccines, yet Facebook’s “fact checker’s” claim it “contains misinformation about vaccines.”

I have to question if Attorney General Rosenblum is in favor of such blatant misstatements of fact and the censoring of true but uncomfortable facts?



John Gilmore

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Why is CDC data on the growth of autism forbidden?  
This is what I got when I tried to present this earlier  
today. So did other people I know.



Your post goes against our Community Standards on  
misinformation about vaccines



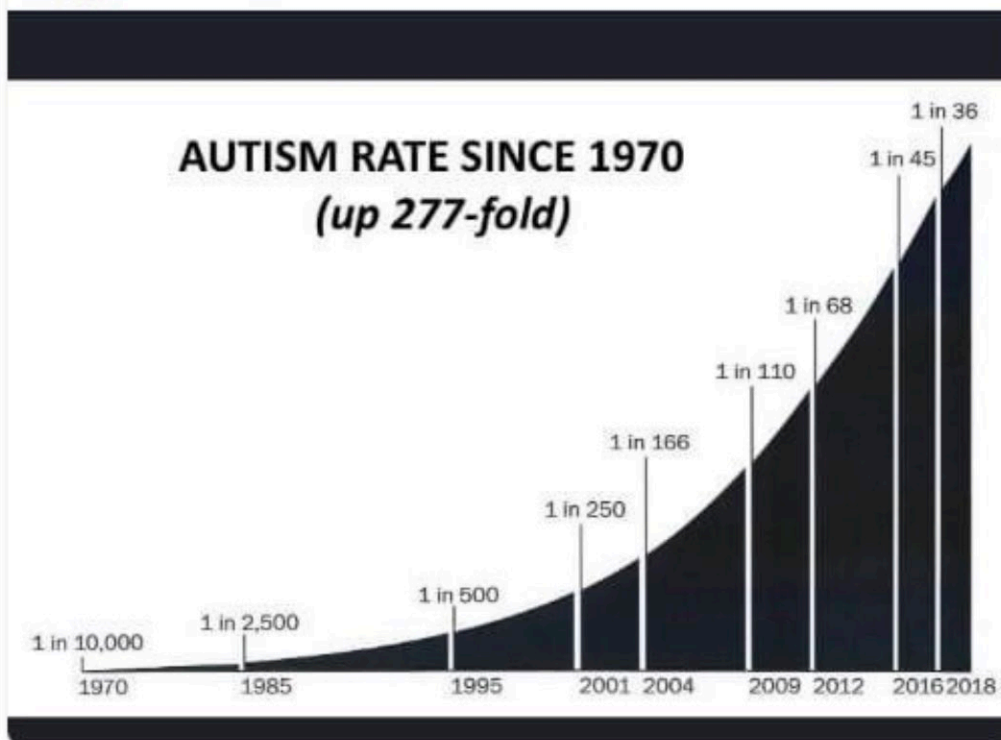
No one else can see your post.

We have these standards because misinformation about vaccines can make some  
people feel unsafe on Facebook.



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On the other hand, whether the above items are ‘misinformation’ or inconvenient truths that challenge the approved vaccine narrative, the Oregon Constitution is expressly clear that “no law shall be passed restraining the free expression of opinion, or restricting the right to speak, write, or print freely on any subject whatever.”

Just earlier today, the US. Supreme Court released its decision in a case which became known as *Biden v. Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University*. The case originally held President Trump violated the First Amendment by blocking access to his social media. Writing a concurring opinion, Justice Thomas noted “a private entity is not ordinarily constrained by the First Amendment” *Halleck, 139 S. Ct. 1921 (2019)*, it is if the government coerces or induces it to take action the government itself would not be permitted to do, such as censor expression of a lawful viewpoint.”

I also find it ironic that the Attorney General complains about “spreading falsehoods about the Coronavirus vaccines,” when it took over a month, two cease and desist letters and the threat of litigation on behalf of OFMF against the Oregon Health Authority, to get the government to stop falsely stating that the coronavirus vaccines have been approved by the FDA. Even Governor Brown is guilty of posting a tweet when she got her Covid vaccine, of falsely stating the vaccines are FDA approved. They are not. There is a legal distinction between FDA approval and “authorization for emergency use” of unlicensed and unapproved products.

Instead of encouraging the silencing of right of Oregonians to speak on any subject, perhaps the Attorney General’s time would be better spent looking at our state’s own agencies and stopping them from continuing to make deceptive, false and misleading statements about vaccines.

Speaking of “misinformation,” Ms. Rosenblum are you aware that the letter you signed cites as an example of an ongoing problem of disinfo, Larry Cook’s Facebook group of almost 200,000 members that was removed from Facebook early last November? Are you proud of Facebook silencing the voice of over 200,000 Americans? Quite frankly, our Attorney General has no business whatsoever, attempting to coerce or induce Twitter or Facebook to censor the expression of lawful viewpoints.

Additionally, Ms. Rosenblum, you should be ashamed of signing a letter that uses the gaslighting term of “anti-vaxxers,” as if the name alone should be sufficient to discredit those who raise legitimate questions about vaccine safety. It is offensive to apply that term to the thousands of parents who were vaxxers and fully complied with their pediatrician’s recommendations, only to bear witness to the injuries suffered by their child. Most became ‘ex-vaxxers’ who chose not to subject their younger children to the same risks of injury that caused their older siblings to suffer.

In 1950, President Harry Truman sent a message to Congress. It is a message that Attorney General Rosenblum should take to heart and take the time to reflect deeply upon as she considers her actions and the legacy she wants to leave to Oregon.

“Once a government is committed to the principle of silencing the voice of opposition, it has only one way to go, and that is down the path of increasingly repressive measures, until it becomes a source of terror to all its citizens and creates a country where everyone lives in fear.”

To the committee, as you consider the budget for the Attorney General, I hope you will take into consideration how well the current office holder protects the rights of ALL Oregonians.

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