

## Profile: Free State Project Member Jeremy Olson

## **Free State Project Members**

Free State Project members sign a pledge to move to New Hampshire and work to change the way of life in our state. They do not move here for a job, or for family, or even because they like what New Hampshire has to offer. Instead, they move here because a political group they are affiliated with voted on a state to move to in order to enact a political agenda, and New Hampshire was the unlucky recipient of that vote.

## State House Candidate Jeremy Olson (Grafton District 9: Ashland, Alexandria, Bristol, Bridgewater, Grafton)

State House candidate Jeremy Olson moved to New Hampshire from Massachusetts in 2007 as part of the Free State Project. Olson has demonstrated considerable ties to the Free State Project, including:

- Olson is part of the Free Town Project to have Free State Project activists move to Grafton and take over town government. Olson has run for several town offices, and is part of the annual push by Free Stater activist to slash the town's annual budget. [Valley News. Grafton Meeting Gets Testy. February 9, 2014; Free Town Project]
- Olson is the Research Director for the New Hampshire Liberty Alliance, a Free State Project group focused on the state legislature. The NHLA pushes for extreme policies at the state level. [NH Liberty Alliance. About. Accessed October 2014]
- Although Olson is known locally as a Free Stater, he purposely leaves his Free State Project affiliation off campaign materials and his campaign website. [Jeremy Olson. Campaign Website. Accessed October 2014]

## Why is Jeremy Olsen's FSP Affiliation Important?

The ultra-extreme Free State Project voted on a state to move 20,000 people to, with the stated purpose to take over state government and dismantle it. The Free State Project seeks to create a libertarian "utopia" void of public infrastructure and common laws, and to use the power of numbers to dramatically change New Hampshire – even threatening secession from the rest of the country. Members like Jeremy Olson are actively working to help the Free State Project fulfill those goals.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Once we've taken over the state government, we can slash state and local budgets, which make up a sizeable proportion of the tax and regulatory burden we face every day. Furthermore, we can eliminate substantial federal interference by refusing to take highway funds and the strings attached to them. Once we've accomplished these things, we can bargain with the national government over reducing the role of the national government in our state. We can use the threat of secession as leverage to do this." [Announcement: The Free State Project by Founder Jason Sorens]