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1. Biography- Manwaring, born and raised in Blackfoot, has lived and practiced law in Pocatello as a business and intellectual property attorney since 2011. Manwaring says over the last five years his law practice has grown into a very busy boutique firm serving many clients in both California and Idaho where he is licensed to practice. Manwaring has strong Idaho roots, returning seven years ago after attending undergraduate at University of Utah and law school at Drake University in Iowa. During law school, Manwaring worked for Mitt Romney's 2008 and 2012 campaigns. He also served as the undersecretary of election day operations for the Republican Party of Iowa and worked as a law clerk for the U.S. Attorney's Office. Prior to that Manwaring worked for Utah-based SkyWest Airlines, working his way up from a ramp agent to a manager of more than 100 agents, 8 supervisors, and over 150 flights a day at the Salt Lake City International Airport. His education, work and management experience have given him the opportunity to live in and travel to several different states and visit more than 15 foreign countries in the past 10 years which has given him a broad perspective and knowledge for a new generation of leaders that he believes voters are looking for.
2. Why vote for me? It has become increasingly clear that the electorate is ready for a "**new generation of leadership**" and is looking for a leader who is professional, educated and who also understands that:
 - ✓ A conservative voice is important to protect families to inspire the American Dream which in term builds small business and drives the economy; and
 - ✓ A vibrant and innovative education system is key to the future of our state and our nation. A successful synergy between education and business partners will ensure that the best and brightest students will make Idaho their permanent home.

We also need to keep people participating in the workforce. Pocatello needs a conservative voice that understands that we can do so much more to make Idaho the most business-friendly state in the union. Manwaring wants to continue the momentum of improving education in Idaho, including teacher effectiveness and increasing the number of Idahoans with postsecondary degrees and technical training. Manwaring believes he is prepared and "ready to lead."