

Ryan Lizza booted from The New Yorker for sex misconduct

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Star political reporter Ryan Lizza is out at The New Yorker over what the magazine calls “improper sexual conduct.”

“The New Yorker recently learned that Ryan Lizza engaged in what we believe was improper sexual conduct. We have reviewed the matter and, as a result, have severed ties with Lizza,” a New Yorker spokesperson said ([h/t Michael Calderone](#)). “Due to a request for privacy, we are not commenting further.”

Lizza fired back calling his ouster “a terrible mistake.”

“I am dismayed that The New Yorker has decided to characterize a respectful relationship with a woman I dated as somehow inappropriate. The New Yorker was unable to cite any company policy that was violated,” [he said in a statement](#).

Following The New Yorker’s announcement, [CNN announced](#) it will be keeping Lizza, a frequent contributor, off the air.

One of Lizza’s biggest scoops this year was key to deep-sixing Anthony Scaramucci’s short career as White House communications director.

In a July conversation with Lizza, the Mooch ranted about his colleagues at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Among other things, he called Reince Preibus a “f–king paranoid schizophrenic” and accused Steve Bannon of “trying to suck his own c–k.”

Scaramucci was fired after just 10 days on the job.

Lizza, 43, had been The New Yorker’s Washington correspondent since 2007.