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## **Jill Abramson Shares Her Thoughts on Leaving *The New York Times***

**(September 25, 2015 – New York, NY)** – Jill Abramson, the former first female executive editor of the *NY Times*, shared her thoughts on leaving the NY Times. Abramson joined Emmy Award-winning writer and former *New York Times*' "The Ethicist" Randy Cohen for his popular podcast and public radio show *Person Place Thing* at Macaulay Honors College at The City University of New York on **September 24**. It was one of the first occasions where Abramson has talked publicly about leaving the *Times* in May 2014 after she was [fired](#). Cohen asked Abramson her thoughts about leaving.

"I miss it terribly," Abramson said. It is one of the most exciting places you could ever work. [The Times] is an important institution in Western civilization—I root for it every day."

Abramson is best known as the former executive editor of The New York Times. She joined the *Times* in 1997, working as the Washington bureau chief and managing editor before being named the paper's first female executive editor in its 160-year history. Abramson previously worked for the *Wall Street Journal* as an investigative reporter and a deputy bureau chief. Currently, she is writing a book about the future of news and is [teaching journalism](#) and creative writing at Harvard University.

*Person Place Thing* is an interview show based on the idea that people are particularly engaging when they speak not directly about themselves but about something they care about. Cohen's guests talk about one person, one place, and one thing that are important to them. Abramson's favorite person is her older sister with whom she shares annual adventurous vacations. Her favorite place is the New York City subway system. And Abramson told Cohen her favorite thing is the "large bundle" Sunday *NY Times* delivered to her door.

The full podcast presentation is scheduled to run October 30, 2015. Visit [PersonPlaceThing.org](http://PersonPlaceThing.org) for more information.

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