About the Author

Marci Alboher is a leading authority on the changing face of work and a Vice President at Encore.org, a nonprofit making it easier for millions of people to pursue second acts for the greater good. Her latest book "The Encore Career Handbook: How to Make a Living and a Difference in the Second Half of Life" (Workman Publishing, 2013) was hailed by the AP as 'an invaluable resource.'

Prior to joining Encore.org, Marci worked as a journalist, creating the Shifting Careers column and blog for *The New York Times* and the Working the New Economy blog for Yahoo. Her articles have appeared in scores of national publications. Her earlier book, "One Person/Multiple Careers: The Original Guide to the Slash "/" Career" (originally published in 2007 and rereleased in 2012), popularized the term "slasher" to refer to those individuals who can't answer "What do you do?" with a single word or phrase.

Marci makes frequent appearances in the media, offering advice and commentary about slashing, encore careers and other workplace trends. She has been featured on numerous broadcast outlets – including NBC's Today show and Nightly News and National Public Radio – as well as countless print and web publications.

Marci is on the board of Girls Write Now, which mentors underserved high school girls in NYC; she also serves as a mentor-editor for The Op-Ed Project, which focuses on increasing the number of women and minority voices in public conversations. She holds a bachelor's degree in English from The University of Pennsylvania and a law degree from the Washington College of Law at American University. Earlier in her career she spent a decade as a corporate lawyer.

A bit of the personal: Marci grew up on the Jersey Shore, living above her family's motel, and has lived in Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., and Hong Kong. She always finds her way back to New York City, where she has spent more than 15 years. In her free time, she reads, travels, walks (excessively) and plays low-stakes poker. She lives in Greenwich Village with her husband, an entrepreneur/designer, and their French bulldog, Sinatra.