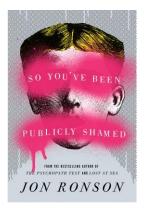
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• What social media do you use?

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 Thousands of dollars were spent trying to manage Lindsey Stone's reputation online and remove the photo of her at Arlington National Cemetery. Should Ronson have republished it in his book? Should I have included it here?



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- Are we all public figures and our employers are like celebrity corporate sponsors?
- mob mentality: no one will punish these people, so we have to do it ourselves?
- public gaze: permanent Google trail extends the punishment

 Ronson notes that men fear losing their job and that women fear violence, although the women in the book are threatened with both.





Can someone talk to these guys about their conduct? I'm in lightning talks, top right near stage, 10 rows back #pycon





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A better account might make sense of... [disproportionate and violent misogynistic, racist, homophobic, transphobic, and gqnb abuse]. It's a reminder that "shaming" is an inapt word for this phenomenon.

[Katherine Cross, Feministing]

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