

**SALLY KIM TO JOIN HACHETTE BOOK GROUP
AS PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER OF LITTLE, BROWN AND COMPANY
SVP Publisher Bruce Nichols to depart after four years leading the publishing division**

February 13, 2024 – In his first major appointment since taking over as Hachette Book Group CEO on January 1, David Shelley announced today that Sally Kim will join the company as President and Publisher of Little, Brown and Company, a division of HBG, leaving her current role as SVP Publisher of G. P. Putnam's Sons, an imprint of Penguin Random House. Bruce Nichols, SVP Publisher of Little, Brown since 2020, will depart on March 1.

Shelley, who is also Hachette UK CEO, said, “I’d like to pay tribute to the work Bruce has done in his four years as Publisher of Little, Brown. In that time, he strengthened the publishing house’s nonfiction list, bringing out #1 bestsellers by Liz Cheney, Don Lemon, and Clint Smith, and maximized the sales and impact of major marquee authors including Michael Connelly, Elin Hilderbrand, and James Patterson. He has nurtured, developed, and diversified the storied Little, Brown list with bestsellers from Nathan Harris, Tricia Hersey, Uma Naidoo, and Shawn Stevenson, among others, while bringing in exciting new voices in all categories – and great new editorial, marketing, publicity, and design colleagues to work on those books. I wish Bruce all the best in his next chapter.”

“I’m very excited to welcome Sally Kim, whose work I have long admired from across the Atlantic. Sally has done an incredible job over her distinguished career and most recently as Publisher at Putnam, achieving terrific success for their authors, and leading the team with calm integrity, dynamism, and heart. She is a brilliant editor as well as a publisher – in common with many of her predecessors at Little, Brown – and I love her editorial taste in fiction and nonfiction, as well as her publishing flair. I believe that Sally will be a visionary leader for Little, Brown and will help this most revered of publishing houses embark on an exciting new stage of its journey, working with the talented Little, Brown editorial, marketing, publicity, and design teams to attract and develop writers who speak to and represent the readers we serve.”

Over the last eight years at Putnam, Kim built from the list’s rich tradition of publishing established franchises and expanded it to include new and vibrant bestselling genres representing the next generation of voices in fiction and nonfiction, overseeing and working closely with the imprint’s editorial, marketing, and publicity departments. She acquired and edited her own list of critically acclaimed and award-winning fiction by bestselling authors including Kiley Reid (*Such a Fun Age*), Robert Jones, Jr. (*The Prophets*, National Book Award finalist), Chloe Benjamin (*The Immortalists*), Steven Rowley (*The Guncle*), Megan Abbott (*The Turnout*), Sarah Winman (*Still Life*), Cristina Alger (*Girls Like Us*), Alma Katsu (*The Hunger*), and Susan Barker (*Old Soul*). Notable Putnam authors include Delia Owens (*Where the Crawdads Sing*), Eve Rodsky (*Fair Play*), Hoda Kotb, C. J. Box, John Sandford, Tom Clancy, Clive Cussler, and Lisa Scottoline.

In 2022, Poets & Writers honored Kim with The Editor’s Award, which “recognizes a book editor who has made an outstanding contribution to the publication of poetry or literary prose over a sustained period of time.” Prior to Putnam, she held senior editorial roles at Simon & Schuster, HarperCollins, the Crown Publishing Group, and St. Martin’s Press, in a career spanning 30 years.

Kim commented, “Like so many in book publishing, I’ve spent a lifetime reading and revering Little, Brown’s illustrious books and authors; they were what drew me, an LA kid, to dare to make the leap to New York publishing all those years ago. Joining Little, Brown to help evolve its enviable legacy of finding and nurturing new voices at this, one of the most vibrant times in our industry and culture, is an incredible opportunity and truly an honor.”

Kim will start at Little, Brown on March 4. She will report to Shelley and will join HBG's Executive Management Board.

About Little, Brown and Company

Little, Brown and Company is a division of Hachette Book Group, and is comprised of the imprints Back Bay Books; Little, Brown; Little, Brown Spark; Mulholland Books; and Voracious. Founded in 1837, its distinguished list long has been a home to groundbreaking authors such as James Patterson, Michael Connelly, Elin Hilderbrand, Malcolm Gladwell, and David Sedaris, among many others.

About Hachette Book Group

Hachette Book Group is a leading book publisher based in New York and a division of Hachette Livre, the third-largest publisher in the world and a subsidiary of the Lagardère group.

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