



Khalil A. Cumberbatch is a formerly incarcerated advocate for social justice movements within the NYC area.

He has worked within the reentry community in NYC since 2010 when he was released after serving almost seven years in the NYS prison system. Since his release, Khalil has worked with various non-profits as a service provider, policy analytic, advisor, board member, collaborator, and consultant.

Khalil graduated from CUNY Herbert Lehman College's MSW program in May 2014 where he was awarded the Urban Justice Award for his work with underserved and marginalized communities that are negatively impacted by mass incarceration as well as high poverty and unemployment rates, lack of access to quality education, and other ineffective social "safety nets."

Khalil currently serves as Manager of Training and Communications at [JustLeadershipUSA](#), a national non-profit dedicated to cutting the US correctional population in half by year 2030.

Khalil is Founder and President of [Kinetic Solutions](#), a consultant company that focuses on the assessment, implementation, and management of multiple social media outlets for companies within the NYC area.

Khalil is also a lecturer at Columbia University School of Social Work, the nation's oldest school of social work, with roots extending back to 1898.

Khalil has served as Policy Associate at [Legal Action Center](#), the only non-profit law-and-policy organization in the United States whose sole mission is to fight discrimination against people with histories of addiction, HIV/AIDS, or criminal records, and to advocate for sound public policies in these areas. He has also served as the Communications and Development Manager and periodic guest host for [On The Count: The Prison and Criminal Justice Report](#), a radio program that is exclusively hosted and produced by formerly incarcerated individuals.

Khalil has recently included in the scope of his efforts the perpetual punishment from harsh immigration policies for non-citizens who have criminal justice involvement. Included in this work, he served as the Strategic Initiatives Consultant at [Immigrant Defense Project](#), a legal impact-litigation non-profit that promotes fundamental fairness for immigrants accused or convicted of crimes by working to transform unjust deportation laws and policies and educating and advising immigrants, their criminal defenders, and other advocates.

In December 2014, Khalil was [one of two recipients](#) to receive an Executive Pardon from NYS Governor Andrew Cuomo to prevent his deportation from the United States.

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