

About CAL

The Center for Appellate Litigation is a not-for-profit law firm handling appeals and post-conviction proceedings on behalf of indigent criminal defendants, in cases arising in Bronx and New York Counties. We are funded by New York City and do not accept payment from clients for our services. While providing effective appellate advocacy is our core mission, CAL is committed to creating dynamic approaches to serve our clients. Our ultimate goal is to serve each client's needs with professionalism and humanity.

Re-entry at CAL

At the Center for Appellate Litigation, we believe that breaking the cycle of recidivism is one promising way to shrink the prison population and improve the well-being of formerly incarcerated individuals, their families, and their communities. Whether you have already been released or are approaching release, we are committed to helping you succeed and plan for the future.

Contact Us

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Travel Directions:

Take the **2 3 4 5** to Wall Street.

Take the **J Z** to Broad Street.

Take the **A C** to Fulton Street and switch for any of the above-mentioned trains.



RE-ENTRY SERVICES



We're committed to helping you succeed.

How to Get Involved

If You Are Still Incarcerated:

It is important for you to start thinking about and preparing for your re-entry as early as possible.

If you are a CAL client interested in the services described in this brochure, please write to us so we can begin planning for your release. Be sure to include your expected release date in your letter.

If You Have Already Been Released:

You are welcome to call our office and set up an appointment with our social worker to address your re-entry needs.

We can help you at any stage of your re-entry, regardless of when you were released.

You are also welcome to attend our monthly re-entry meeting where our clients come together to discuss their experiences and share information about re-entry.

For contact information, please see the back of the pamphlet.

Our Services

Our services help you to identify and address your needs. Whether you have already been released, or are approaching release, we can help to pinpoint your needs and get you the help that you deserve.

Through our Re-entry Services, CAL assists clients with:

- Employment
- Mental Health
- Physical Health
- Benefits
- Transitional Housing
- Case Management
- Counseling
- Programming
- Education

Our Social Worker is highly skilled in case management and provides appropriate referrals to mental health services, drug and alcohol treatment, vocational and educational services, housing, and employment readiness programs.

If you have questions about a specific need not listed above, please call or write to inquire.



Employment

Finding a job is one of the biggest challenges individuals face when they leave prison. CAL's Re-entry Services can help you formulate goals for your job search, help you to create your resume, and provide referrals to organizations specializing in job training and employment for those re-entering.

We may also be able to help you apply for a certificate of relief from disabilities or a certificate of good conduct, which if granted, can help you by lifting bars to employment that are a result of your conviction.



Transitional Housing

Having a place to live is an important part of successful re-entry. The Re-entry Program can help you think about your housing options. Though we can't find private residences for you, we have relationships with many transitional housing programs across the city.