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David Garlock

David L. Garlock is a nationally recognized criminal justice reform advocate, reentry expert, and speaker. Sentenced to 25 years for taking the life of his abuser, he served over 13 years before being released with support from the Equal Justice Initiative. While incarcerated, he pursued education and later earned a BA in Urban Studies from Eastern University, where he was honored with the 2024 Distinguished Young Alumnus Award. His work has influenced campaigns to abolish death by incarceration, expand parole opportunities, and reinstate Pell Grants for incarcerated students. A research fellow at Yale and Columbia, he frequently speaks at universities, conferences, and community events. His story is featured in the film *Just Mercy* (2020), and he delivered a TEDx Talk at Arcadia University in 2022.

Discussion Topics:

- Fair Chance Hiring
- The Chapters of My Life
- Blood Brothers: Overcoming Abuse Through Murder
- The Trauma to Prison Pipeline
- Sexual Abuse & Trauma
- Advocacy and Reentry Program Management
- Prison Education: The Inside, College after Release, and Teaching in Prison

Education & Accolades:

- BA in Urban Studies (Criminal Justice & Social Welfare) – Eastern University
- Eastern University Distinguished Young Alumnus Award
- Healing Communities Excellence Service Award

Notable Achievements:

- Research Fellow, Yale University & Columbia University (Vaccinations in Prison)
- Participant in Pell Grant legislative meetings with Vera Institute of Justice
- Beyond the Mask: Overcoming Abuse and Trauma (TEDx Talk)



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Reentry Expert | Public Speaker

Recent Speaking Engagements:

- CVS Virtual Lunch & Learn
- Mission Forums Speaker (Eastern University)
- Keynote Speaker: Stanford University, Gettysburg College, Washington State University, Texas Christian University (TCU)
- Keynote Speaker: Alabama Conference of Social Work, Disrupting Human Trafficking Conference, Palm Beach County Reentry Summit
- Featured Panelist: American Society of Criminology & Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

How to Book David Garlock:

- **Contact:** info@listenoutloudmedia.com
- **More Info:** listenoutloudmedia.com/speakers-bureau
- **Travels From:** Pennsylvania

“David Garlock’s riveting life story kept our audience engaged, entertained, and educated on social justice issues. His keynote and breakout sessions received glowing reviews, and attendees deeply appreciated his time and insights.”

— Renae Carpenter, Alabama Conference of Social Work Program Chairperson