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Criminal Justice Issues and Prisoners' Rights

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Here at CCR, we often have the privilege of working closely with independent journalists to uncover civil and human rights abuses. From early in 2007, when CCR first began exploring the green scare, government repression of animal rights and environmental activists we have frequently relied on the award-winning investigative reporting of journalist and TED Senior Fellow [Will Potter](#), to deepen our defense of these movements under attack. Today, we are thrilled to share Will's most recent TED talk, which focuses on the Federal Bureau of Prisons Communication Management Units (CMUs). Will makes excellent use of the previously-undisclosed documents and policies CCR uncovered in [Aref v. Holder](#), CCR's challenge to the CMUs. While we lost our constitutional challenge to the CMUs last year (and are currently appealing that decision), that we can share the details of how these previously secret units operate with important journalists like Will must be seen as some measure of [success without victory](#).

Please watch and share Will's new [TED talk](#) exposing the CMUs.

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