

Professional Profile: Kelli Mekles 2013

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Name: Kelli Mekles Title: Senior Associate

Company: Cushman & Wakefield

Location: New York, N.Y.

Birthplace: NJ

Education: BA from Syracuse. MA From NYU in Real Estate development

First job outside of real estate: Tennis teacher

First job in real estate or allied field: Newmark Knight Frank; retail leasing agent

What do you do now and what are you planning for the future? Leasing for the Malkin Portfolio and in the future I want to be the female Tony Malkin! By that I mean owning real estate.

How do you unwind from a busy day in real estate? Spin class

Favorite book or author: "Who Moved My Cheese"

Favorite movie: "Pretty Woman"

Last song you downloaded? "One" by U2

One word to describe your work environment: Adventurous

Rules to live by in business: Don't take anything personally! Someone once told me that after I cried losing my first deal 8 years ago.

If you could invite one person to dinner (living or dead) who would it be and where would you go? Barbera Walters. She's met everyone! I would go to Masa if I could expense it. I'm a huge sushi fan and would probably never pay \$1,000 for dinner out of my own pocket.

What is your dream job? Being on the food network!

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