

Applicants record of social responsibility, philanthropy and ties to Jersey City

Meyon Lil Belle Wiggins, known as Meme, was born and raised in Jersey City, New Jersey. I am one of 12 children raised in Jersey City. My parents were born in South Carolina, North Carolina and raised also in Jersey City. They both were homeowners in Jersey City as well. My Mom helped her father in the family business which was located at 80 Wilkinson Ave for many years. She has raised 6 children, 16 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren in Jersey City. My Dad was the owner of a candy store as well. He was well known in his community. Growing up in Jersey City has been an experience for me. I have never been ashamed of my roots here and always share that I was born and raised here. I am one of the many Wiggins Family members born and raised here in Jersey City at the Margaret Hayes Hospital. Passing down a legacy, I delivered my kids in 1996 at Jersey City Medical Center and 2007 at the New Jersey City Medical Center.

I was educated in the public school system of Jersey City. I attended Fred W. Martin School / PS #41 for my elementary education and graduation. I was an active student in sports and clubs. I had the opportunity to play Harriet Tubman at the Jersey City Board of Education, through my teachers. Ms. Rebecca King and Ms. Jacqueline Burroughs. Growing up in Jersey City they were two of the first women in my education experience that have impacted my life. Henry Snyder High School is my alma mater, where I studied Drama and Marketing. I also was an active athlete playing on the volleyball team and basketball team. I was a peer leader and active student. My first job was an employee of Jersey City's Summer Program for students. I provided assistance to the local Jersey City Medical Center. I learned efficiency in being an assistant to the medical staff by organizing files, charts and answering phones. I went on to gain employment in Newport Center Mall in 1996 after becoming a teen mom and securing my work study in High School. I became a manager very early as I graduated High School in the retail field and continued to grow for 27 years through hard work and dedication. I became a teen mom at 16 years old. I was one of three girls in my immediate neighborhood alone to receive Home School as we prepared for birth. I was able to return to High School after. I could not afford a higher education and I did not see the encouragement to do so around me. I saw violence, drugs, domestic violence, homelessness, and struggle. So, I continued to work to be the change and difference. As a single mom of 2 by the age of 28, I had purchased my third home in the Greenville Section of Jersey City.

When I was in the 6th grade my teacher Ms. Rebecca King introduced me to church. St.

Michaels Methodist Church on Virginia Ave in Jersey City. The bishop at the time was the late Esteemed Dr. Ralph E. Brower Sr. He, his family, and the entire congregation welcomed me. My life forever changed. This experience gave me a grandmother, the late Mrs. Florence Hall, who was also my neighbor. She and her family welcomed me and my family as well. My church was my home away from home. I would sing in the choir and volunteer when needed. My grandmother and the congregation were dedicated to giving back and being the change. I will forever be grateful.

I am currently a member at Mount Olive Baptist Church, under the leadership of Evangelist Priscilla Joyner. I walked into the doors over 13 years ago under Pastor John H. McReynolds and planted myself here. I was weary and tired as I worked hard as a single mom, and they too would breathe life back into me with their messages. For the second time in my life, I found an entire community that accepted me for me and my family. My son gained another Grandmother Ms. Eloise Parker and the women that would continue to impact my life are a long list of loving Humans.

I volunteered at food pantries hosted by DC Nonprofit of Jersey City. I have also had the opportunity to make donations to charities like United Way of Hudson County. I am currently active in the Real Estate Market of Jersey City as a licensed Realtor (Memeownsyourblock) and Property Manager. I am a Board Member of AREAA, Northern New Jersey Chapter and A.R.T.S, I plan to continue to use my license and voice to help people in my community to achieve homeownership or their next rental. My daughter has given me the opportunity to be a grandmother of K Iani and Kobe. I have been a dog mom of Chase (yorkie) for 17 years. I love them unconditionally. I am a sibling, daughter, friend, neighbor and many other hats I contribute to the community around me. I have volunteered at Saint Joseph Elementary School when my son attended different events and Bingo. Sacred Heart Catholic School, as well as his current High School for different reasons. I am a great neighbor in my community and City. I give back whenever I can with whatever I have to give. Sometimes it is in time, or just a shoulder to cry on and an ear to listen. I will continue to give back also.

Many people in my City have poured into the woman I am today. I have watched my family and community struggle with many different forms of drugs and homelessness. Somehow I have been able to live a drug free life myself from seeing the many different effects and consequences. I decided at a very early age it was not the life for me to intake. As close as I have been to the use of drugs, I have never judged but learned it was a disease and that the person at some point had to want to change and be clean. I have always welcomed different members of my community and family help if they needed it. It may have been finances or a meal. Today I am still helping family and community members heal as they battle addiction.

As Memes Danckk World gets established and grows, my team and I will be very hands on to provide knowledge in our space when it comes to the use of Cannabis Products as well as resources on how to overcome setbacks from it. Seminars by experts in many fields, including expungement and entrepreneurship. I want to empower single moms, parents, the younger

generation and many different humans with the motivation to become their own Cannabis Dispensary in the community. I want to be a part of the solution and not the problem in my City, Ward and Community. I want to see many more residents born and raised make an impact on the city where we are also raising our families. I will hire residents in my community as well through the Office of Diversity and Inclusion of Jersey City. I will attend and participate in the Job Fairs provided in my community as well to obtain employees.

Proof of Priority Groups:

Memes Danckk World, LLC will be applying for a Minority and Women-Owned Enterprise Micro Operation License

Adverse effects and research

Unfortunately, I have the experience of dealing with family members who have struggled with addictions and drug abuse. I call this live research. I have been directly and deeply affected by this. I fully understand the damage that addiction can truly cause. When you can see, smell and know that it exists in front of you. This is just one of the reasons why I am so interested in opening a dispensary. It is to truly help our people affected see that there can be change. That they can do it also. I want for my children , grandchildren and the children in my community and City to see differently than what me and my peers see. As far as you do not have to be affected or engaged in something that will harm you. That they too will one day have the opportunity to be the change. To know that there are people who want to impact them in a positive way and not negative. That they can create, build and own a piece of their City through hard work and dedication.

Opening this dispensary will allow me to educate the people on proper usage and the proper types of reactions to certain products. We are aiming to fix issues and not mask them by supplying products that really work to individuals who need and qualify for them on a legal level.