

## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

### MERENDINO CEMETERY CARE, LLC

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**MERENDINO**<sup>™</sup>  
*Cemetery Care*

The franchisee will operate a business providing facilities management, including lawn care, monument installations, mausoleum maintenance, burials and florist services to private and publicly owned cemeteries under contracts obtained by Merendino Cemetery Care, LLC and/or franchisee

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Merendino Cemetery Care franchise is \$167,449 to \$284,305 for a single franchise. This includes \$35,650 that must be paid to the Franchisor or affiliate

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to the Franchisor or affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. **Note, however, that no government agency has verified the information contained in this document.**

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact B. Gino Merendino at 1048 West Blancke Street, Linden, New Jersey 07036, or (800) 568-3688, or by e-mail at 1776gino@gmail.com

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "[A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise](#)," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov) for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

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## STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. **REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT**

Call the state franchise administrator listed in **Exhibit A** for information about the Franchisor, or about franchising in your state.

**MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.**

Please consider the following **RISK FACTORS** before you buy this franchise

**THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY MEDIATION IN UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AND THEN LITIGATION IN COURTS HAVING JURISDICTION OVER UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY IF WE SO CHOOSE. OUT-OF-STATE MEDIATION AND LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST MORE TO MEDIATE AND LITIGATE WITH US IN NEW JERSEY THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.**

**THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT NEW JERSEY LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.**

**THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES THE SPOUSES OF FRANCHISE OWNERS, SHAREHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND MEMBERS, WHO ARE NOT OWNERS OF THE FRANCHISED BUSINESS THEMSELVES, TO CONSENT AND AGREE THAT ALL ASSETS AND PROPERTY THAT ARE HELD JOINTLY WITH THEIR SPOUSE WHO IS AN OWNER, WHETHER AS JOINT TENANTS OR TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETIES, WILL BE SUBJECT TO CLAIMS UNDER THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT. THE GUARANTY PLACES ALL OF THE PERSONAL ASSETS OF THE OWNERS, SHAREHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND MEMBERS AND THEIR SPOUSES AT RISK.**

**YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE AN ESTIMATED INITIAL INVESTMENT RANGING FROM \$167,449 TO \$284,305. THIS AMOUNT EXCEEDS OUR STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010, WHICH IS \$77,201**

WE HAVE BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, SINCE APRIL 16, 2010. THEREFORE, THERE IS ONLY A BRIEF OPERATING HISTORY TO ASSIST YOU IN JUDGING WHETHER OR NOT TO MAKE THIS INVESTMENT. YOU MAY WANT TO TAKE THIS INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN MAKING A DECISION TO PURCHASE THIS FRANCHISE OPPORTUNITY.

THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE

Although we do not do so at the present time, from time to time, we may use the services of one or more franchise brokers or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise broker or referral source represents us, not you. We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us. You should make sure to do your own investigation of the franchise.

Effective Date See the next page for state effective dates

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