

Social-J, LLC
DOA100155

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Social-J, LLC
2A Conz St., Northampton, MA 01060

2. Type of license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation) and information regarding the application submission:

Marijuana Courier

The application was reopened one (1) time for additional information.

3. The applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center license(s):

Type	Status	Location
Marijuana Delivery Operator	Pre-Certification	N/A

The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

4. The applicant was pre-certified by the Commission for Marijuana Courier on November 8, 2021. Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101(2)(b), the applicant demonstrated a propensity to successfully operate a Marijuana Establishment.

5. List of all required individuals and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Jeffrey Shaheen	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. List of all required entities and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this proposed Marijuana Establishment.



7. Applicant's priority status:

Expedited Applicant (Social Equity Program Participant)
(Jeffrey Shaheen / 100% of Ownership / SE305049)

8. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 4, 2022.
9. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 22, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
10. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Northampton on April 19, 2022 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
11. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Host an annual record sealing workshop for at least five (5) participants who are Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions or who have parents or spouses who have had drug convictions.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

12. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
13. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

14. The applicant states that it can be operational within nine (9) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
15. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

16. The applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.



17. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit veterans (10%), people with disabilities (10%), people who identify as LGBTQ+ (10%), women (10%), and people of color (10%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Contract with contractors, subcontractors and suppliers who are minority-owned (5%), women-owned (5%), veteran-owned (5%), LGBTQ+-owned (5%), and disability-owned (5%) businesses.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

1. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
2. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws, local codes, ordinances or bylaws, and local licensing requirements.
3. Final licensure is subject to the applicant reviewing its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People and clarify its focus on Uxbridge area to promote sealing seminars as opposed to host community of Northampton and to provide any update in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1)(a)11.
4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.

The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.

