

- ❑ **Conference Call For Small Businesses Surviving COVID19**

- ❑ **Conference Call Welcome / Purpose**

- ❑ **Introduction of Speaker – LaTisha Handy, Associate Manager, Mississippi Development Authority (MDA)**

- ❑ **Overview, Eligibility for ‘ Minority Business Certification ‘**

- ❑ **Questions Submitted In Advanced**

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- 1. HOW DOES THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, MINORITY & SMALL BUSINESS DIVISION ASSIST WOMEN OWNED BUSINESSES?**
- 2. WHAT IS THE MINORITY BUSINESS CERTIFICATIONS?**
- 3. WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY FOR THE MINORITY BUSINESS CERTIFICATION?**
- 4. HOW LONG DOES THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS TAKE?**
- 5. WHEN CAN YOU APPLY FOR THE MINORITY BUSINESS CERTIFICATION?**
- 6. I HAVE NOT FILED MY SMALL BUSINESSES TAXES FOR 2019. WILL I STILL BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR THE DIRECT PAYMENTS AND EVEN THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR GRANTS PROGRAM?**

7. ARE THERE WOMEN-OWNED ENTERPRISES THAT BENEFIT MORE FROM THIS BUSINESS CERTIFICATION? AND IF SO, WHICH INDUSTRY?

8. WHO PROVIDES THE SUPPORT DOING THE ACTUAL BUSINESS CERTIFICATION PROCESS? AND HOW DO WE CONTACT THOSE PARTIES?

9. I HAVE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, AM I ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE BUSINESS CERTIFICATION?

10. DOES YOUR SMALL BUSINESS HAVE TO BE REGISTERED AS A LEGITIMATE BUSINESS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO COMPLETE BUSINESS CERTIFICATION PROCESS?

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