



Joseph Clarke

Joseph Clarke, Principal and Founder of Clarke Investors, is an accomplished real estate professional with over 17 years of experience acquiring, developing, repositioning and asset managing real estate.

Joseph founded Clarke Investors in 2014 after a career on Wall Street in real estate investment banking and private equity. The firm initially helped distressed real estate owners restructure their debt. In November 2014, Joseph purchased his first asset in Bronx Little Italy, a 20-unit apartment building on Cambreleng Avenue.

The building had over 150 HPD violations and was put on HPD's AEP list about one month after closing, which represents the worst buildings in NYC. All the violations were cleared within 3 months and the building was successfully removed from the AEP list. He subsequently purchased additional buildings on Cambreleng Avenue and purchased his first building on Arthur Avenue in 2021. Early on, Joseph became known for his high-end apartment renovations which attracted new tenants to the neighborhood and dramatically improved the quality of life for existing residents in the neighborhood.

Joseph joined the Belmont BID's Board of Directors in 2016. He has worked to improve quality of life measures such as crime, graffiti and rodents. Joseph is passionate about Bronx Little Italy and is confident that one day it will be known as one of the most community-oriented, clean, safe and affordable places to live in NYC.

Joseph is a graduate of The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania where he double concentrated in finance and real estate. His maternal grandparents are Italian immigrants.