



**FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION  
ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD**

APPELLANT: Robert Menas, Jr.  
DOCKET NO.: 09-02066.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 14-19-301-054

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Robert Menas, Jr., the appellant; and the Lake County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds no change in the assessment of the property as established by the Lake County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

**LAND:** \$44,299  
**IMPR:** \$180,679  
**TOTAL:** \$224,978

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

**ANALYSIS**

The subject property consists of an owner occupied residential property located in Lake Zurich, Lake County, Illinois.

The appellant submitted evidence before the Property Tax Appeal Board claiming overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this claim, the appellant submitted an appraisal of the subject property. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$199,980.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" wherein the subject's final assessment of \$224,978 was disclosed. The board of review's evidence disclosed the subject property is an owner occupied residence that was the subject matter of an appeal before the Property Tax Appeal Board the prior year under docket number 08-01680.001-R-1. In the 2008 assessment complaint, the Property Tax Appeal Board lowered the subject's assessment to \$220,415 based on a stipulation by the parties.

The board of review's evidence shows a township equalization factor of 1.0207 was applied to the Property Tax Appeal Board's 2008 final decision of \$220,415 resulting in a final assessment for 2009 of \$224,978. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

After considering the evidence and reviewing the record, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal. The Board finds no change in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The appellant contends the market value of the subject property is not accurately reflected in its assessed valuation. However, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds the subject property was the subject matter of an appeal in the prior assessment year under Docket Number 08-01680.001-R-1. In that appeal, the Property Tax Appeal Board rendered a decision lowering the assessment of the subject property based on the evidence and an agreement between the parties. The evidence further indicates the subject property is an owner occupied residential property. Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel on which a residence occupied by the owner is situated, such reduced assessment, **subject to equalization, shall remain in effect for the remainder of the general assessment period** (Emphasis Added) as provided in Sections 9-215 through 9-225, unless that parcel is subsequently sold in an arm's length transaction establishing a fair cash value for the parcel that is different from the fair cash value on which the Board's assessment is based, or unless the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board is reversed or modified upon review. (35 ILCS 200/16-185)

Based on this statutory language, the Board finds the 2008 assessment decision shall be carried forward to the 2009 assessment plus the application of the equalization factor. The record contains no evidence indicating the subject property sold in an arm's-length transaction subsequent to the Board's decision or that the Board's 2008 decision was reversed or modified upon review. The Board finds the subject's final assessment for the 2009 assessment year, as calculated by the board of review, follows the directives outlined in Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code. (35 ILCS 200/16-185). Therefore, the Board finds no change in the subject's assessment is warranted.

This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code.

*Ronald R. Cuit*

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Member

DISSENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date: August 19, 2011

*Allen Castrovillari*

Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing

complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for the subsequent year directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A PETITION AND EVIDENCE WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.