



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

APPELLANT: Christina Jankovic
DOCKET NO.: 09-33125.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 14-28-320-004-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Christina Jankovic, the appellant, by attorney David R. Bass, of Thompson Coburn LLP in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds a reduction in the assessment of the property as established by the Cook County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$8,000
IMPR.: \$69,110
TOTAL: \$77,110

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

ANALYSIS

The subject property is improved with a Class 2-11, three-story multiple-family residence containing 2,760 square feet of living area. The building contains five apartment units and is approximately 119 years old. The subject is located on a 1,250 square foot site.

The appellant contends the land assessment portion of the subject property is inequitable. In support of this argument the appellant submitted descriptions and assessment information on five comparables. The data provided by the appellant indicated that four of comparables had land unit values of \$64 per square foot and the fifth comparable's land unit value was \$37.50 per square foot of land area. The appellant submitted a copy of the decision issued by the board of review establishing a land assessment of \$14,500. The appellant also submitted copies of the subject's assessment data sheets indicating the subject had a land unit value of \$116.00 per square foot of land area. The appellant argued that the subject property and the comparables are all located in neighborhood 63 and have the same highest and

best use as 'residential land". Based on this evidence the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$8,000 reflecting a unit value of \$64.00 per square foot of land area and an assessment level of 10%.

The board of review did not submit its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" or any evidence in support of its assessed valuation of the subject property.

After reviewing the record and considering the evidence, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal. The Board further finds the evidence in the record supports a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The appellant contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. Taxpayers who object to an assessment on the basis of lack of uniformity bear the burden of proving the disparity of assessments by clear and convincing evidence. Kankakee County Board of Review v. Property Tax Appeal Board, 131 Ill.2d 1 (1989). The evidence must demonstrate a consistent pattern of assessment inequities within the assessment jurisdiction. After an analysis of the assessment data the Board finds a reduction is warranted.

The appellant in this appeal submitted land assessment information on five assessment comparables to demonstrate the subject was inequitably assessed. These comparables had land unit values that ranged from \$37.50 to \$64 per square foot of land area. The subject has an improvement assessment of \$14,500, reflecting a unit value of \$116 per square foot. This is above the range established by the comparables. Four of the comparables' land is classified as 2-00, the same as the subject. These properties are all assessed based upon a unit value of \$64 per square foot of land area.

The board of review did not submit any evidence in support of its assessment of the subject property or to refute the appellant's argument as required by section 1910.40(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board and is found to be in default pursuant to section 1910.69(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board. Based on this record the Property Tax Appeal Board finds a reduction 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.

Donald 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: April 19, 2013

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.