



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

APPELLANT: Ching-Huang Wu  
DOCKET NO.: 11-01370.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 02-1-00423-000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Ching-Huang Wu, the appellant; and the Coles 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 Coles County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

**LAND:** \$ 6,967  
**IMPR.:** \$32,583  
**TOTAL:** \$39,550

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

**Statement of Jurisdiction**

The subject property consists of a residential property located in Coles County, Illinois.

The appellant submitted evidence before the Property Tax Appeal Board claiming the subject's assessment is not reflective of fair market value. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted a value estimate for the subject property of \$111,400 from the website Zillow.com. The appellant also submitted the subject's property record depicting a depreciated cost approach to value. Under the cost approach, the subject property was estimated to have a market value of \$125,900.

The appellant also submitted information disclosing the subject property had a total assessment of \$44,678 for the 2011 tax

year, which reflects an estimated market value of \$133,807 when applying Coles County's 2011 three-year average median level of assessment of 33.39%. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessed valuation.

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 as required by section 1910.40(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board. 86 Ill.Admin.Code 1910.40(a). Therefore, the board of review was found to be in default pursuant to section 1910.69(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board. 86 Ill.Admin.Code 1910.69(a).

### Conclusion of Law

The appellant contends the market value of the subject property is not accurately reflected in its assessed valuation. When market value is the basis of the appeal the value of the property must be proved by a preponderance of the evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of market value may consist of an appraisal of the subject property, a recent sale, comparable sales or construction costs. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(c). The Board finds the appellant met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The appellant in this appeal submitted documentation in the form of a Zillow.com value estimate and a depreciated cost approach to value. The board of review did not submit any evidence in support of its assessment of the subject property or refute the value evidence submitted by the appellant as required by Section 1910.40(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board 86 Ill.Adm.Code §1910.40(a). Therefore, the board of review was found to be in default pursuant to section 1910.69(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.69(a). The subject property's final assessment reflects an estimated market value of \$133,807, which is greater than the valuation evidence submitted by the appellant. The Board has examined the evidence contained in this record and finds that it supports a reduction in the assessed valuation of the subject property.

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.



Chairman



Member



Member



Member



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: July 18, 2014



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.