

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Vianey Castaneda DOCKET NO.: 11-23680.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 28-14-402-010-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Vianey Castaneda, the appellant, by attorney Thomas J. Thorson, of Raila & Associates, P.C. in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>A Reduction</u> 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:** \$ 4,508 **IMPR.:** \$ 8,492 **TOTAL:** \$ 13,000

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

#### **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Cook County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2011 tax year. The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of the appeal.

#### **Findings of Fact**

The subject property consists of a seven-year old, multi-level, frame and masonry, single-family dwelling. Features of the home include: a partial basement, central air conditioning, and a two-car garage. The property has a 30,000 square foot site and is located in Bremen Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2, residential property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted an appraisal estimating the subject property had a market value of \$130,000 as of November 18, 2011. The appraisal stated that a physical inspection had been undertaken and that the subject property is an owner-occupied residence. In addition, the appraisal indicated

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that the subject's improvement contains 1,637 square feet of living area, while submitting a building schematic with size calculations thereon. The appellant requested a 10% level of assessment be applied to a requested market value of \$130,000.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$21,268. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$212,680, when applying the level of assessment for class 2, residential property of 10% as determined by the Cook County Classification Ordinance. As to the subject, the board of review submitted a property characteristic printout which indicated that a homeowner's exemption was accorded to the subject and that the improvement contained 1,611 square feet of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted descriptive and assessment information on four suggested comparables.

## **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 Board finds the best evidence of improvement size and market value to be the *appraisal* submitted by the appellant. The Board finds the subject property is owner-occupied with a market value of \$130,000 as of the assessment date at issue. Since market value has been established, the level of assessment for class 2, residential property of 10% as determined by the Cook County Classification Ordinance shall apply. (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(c)(2).

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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.

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	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

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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 <u>PETITION AND EVIDENCE</u> 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.