

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

APPELLANT: Olga Jordan DOCKET NO.: 12-27266.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 16-13-402-061-1002

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Olga Jordan, the appellant(s); and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented, 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: \$ 1,981 IMPR.: \$ 7,633 TOTAL: \$ 9,614

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 2012 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 consists of a residential condominium unit in a three-unit building. The building is five years old and is situated on a 3,303 square foot site, and is adjacent to multiple identical three-unit buildings on the same block. It is located in Chicago, West Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as class 2-99 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

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The appellant argued that there was unequal treatment in the assessment process of the subject's improvement as the basis of this appeal.

In support of the equity argument, the appellant submitted descriptive and assessment data for eight suggested comparables located on the subject's block. They are improved with identical condominium buildings that are the same age, design, style, size and construction. They range improvement assessments from \$4.41 to \$5.89 per square foot. In comparison, the subject's improvement assessment is \$9.52 per square foot of living area. Based upon this analysis, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$14,357. In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted a sales analysis using 2007 sales data from two units in the subject's building. The analysis indicated that the full value of the subject unit is \$187,619. Based on this analysis, the board of review requested that the subject's assessment be confirmed.

## Conclusion of Law

The appellant contends unequal treatment in the subject's improvement assessment 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 assessment valuations by clear and convincing evidence. Kankakee County Board of Review v. Property Tax Appeal Board, 131 Ill.2d 1 (1989). After an analysis of the data, the Board finds that the appellant has met this burden.

Upon due consideration of the evidence submitted by the parties, the Board finds that the appellant's comparables are most similar to the subject in style, improvement age, size, and/or amenities. In analysis, the Board accorded most weight to these comparables, which range in improvement assessments from \$4.41 to \$5.89 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment at \$9.52 per square foot is above the range established by these comparables. Accordingly, the Board finds that the appellant has demonstrated that the subject is inequitably assessed and that 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.

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DISSENTING:

## CERTIFICATION

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 21, 2015

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 Docket No: 12-27266.001-R-1

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 <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.