



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

APPELLANT: Janusz Nadolny  
DOCKET NO.: 15-05711.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 03-15-400-004

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Janusz Nadolny, the appellant, by attorney Laura Godek, of Laura Moore Godek, PC in McHenry; and the DuPage County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds A Reduction in the assessment of the property as established by the **DuPage** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

**LAND:** \$36,400  
**IMPR.:** \$45,266  
**TOTAL:** \$81,666

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

**Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the DuPage County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2015 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 two-story dwelling of frame and brick construction with 2,174 square feet of living area.<sup>1</sup> The dwelling was constructed in 1967. Features of the home include central air conditioning, two fireplaces and a two-car garage. The property has a 10,345 square foot site and is located in Wood Dale, Addison Township, DuPage County.

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 \$245,000 as of January 1, 2015.

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<sup>1</sup> The appellant's appraiser reported the subject has 2,174 square feet of living area and supplied a sketch in support. The board of review reported the subject has 2,190 square feet of living area and, also supplied a sketch in support. The Board finds the different dwelling sizes reported by the parties will not impact the Board's decision.

The appellant's evidence included an additional grid containing three comparable sales that were not used in the appellant's appraisal.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$99,730. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$299,489 or \$137.76 per square foot of living area including land, when using the 2,174 square feet of living area and applying the 2015 three-year average median level of assessment for DuPage County of 33.30% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four comparable sales, three of which had superior basement foundations. The board of review did not refute the appellant's appraisal's methodology or value conclusion, but did indicate that two of the selected comparables are a considerable distance from the subject..

The appellant submitted rebuttal critiquing the board of review's evidence.

### **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 market value to be the appraisal submitted by the appellant estimating the subject had a market value of \$245,000 as of January 1, 2015. The Board gave less weight to the board of review's evidence, due to the superiority of three of the four comparable sales having basement foundations, unlike the subject. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$299,489 or \$137.76 per square foot of living area, including land, which is above the appraised value. Based on this evidence, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment commensurate with the appellant's request is appropriate.

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. Pursuant to Section 1910.50(b) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(b)) the proceeding before the Property Tax Appeal Board is terminated when the decision is rendered. The Property Tax Appeal Board does not require any motion or request for reconsideration.



Chairman



Member



Acting Member



Member



Member

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: October 20, 2017



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 or years of the same general assessment period, as provided in Sections 9-125 through 9-225, 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 such subsequent year or years 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 OR YEARS. A separate petition and evidence must be filed for each of the remaining years of the general assessment period.

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.

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