

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Warren Orange
DOCKET NO.: 15-25539.001-C-1
PARCEL NO.: 25-29-204-029-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Warren Orange, the appellant, by attorney Robert Rosenfeld, of Robert H. Rosenfeld and Associates, LLC 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:** \$3,369 **IMPR.:** \$11,601 **TOTAL:** \$14,970

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 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 apartment building with 4,302 square feet of living area of brick construction. The dwelling is 99 years old. The property has a 5,616 square foot site and is located in Chicago, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-12 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 information on four comparable sales. The comparables sold from October 1992 to August 2015 for prices ranging from \$75,000 to \$525,000 or from \$13.17 to \$122.78 per square foot of building area.

The board of review failed to submit its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal." The appellant submitted a copy of the Cook County board of review's final decision disclosing the total

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assessment for the subject of \$17,716. The subject has an improvement assessment of \$11,601 or \$2.70 per square foot of building area. The subject's total assessment reflects a market value of \$183,860 or \$42.74 per square foot of building area, including land, when applying the 2015 assessment for class 2 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 10%.

The board of review failed to submit evidence in support of its contention of the correct assessment.

## **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 not 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 appellant's comparable sale #1. This comparable sold most proximate to the assessment date in question for \$75,000 or \$17.86 per square foot of building area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$42.74 per square foot of living area, including land, which is above the best comparable sale in this record. Less weight was given the appellant's remaining comparables due to their sale date being too remote from the assessment date in question to be indicative of fair market value in 2015 and/or the ages were dissimilar to the subject. Based on this evidence the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment commensurate with the appellant's request is justified.

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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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DISSENTING:	

## <u>CERTIFICATIO</u>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:	January 27, 2017
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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.