

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

APPELLANT:Anthony ButkusDOCKET NO.:18-51355.001-R-1 through 18-51355.002-R-1PARCEL NO.:See Below

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Anthony Butkus, the appellant, by attorney Christopher G. Walsh, Jr., of Walsh Law, 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 *a reduction* 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:

DOCKET NO	PARCEL NUMBER	LAND	IMPRVMT	TOTAL
18-51355.001-R-1	15-35-320-016-0000	2,432	9,427	\$11,859
18-51355.002-R-1	15-35-320-017-0000	4,410	21,023	\$25,433

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

## **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) challenging the assessment for the 2018 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 is improved with an owner-occupied residence.

The appellant contends the assessment of the subject property as established by the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board for the 2017 tax year should be carried forward to the 2018 tax year pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code. (35 ILCS 200/16-185). The appellant disclosed that the subject property is an owner-occupied residence that was the subject matter of an appeal before the Property Tax Appeal Board the prior year under Docket Number 17-23950. In that appeal the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision lowering the assessments of the subject parcel #15-35-320-016-0000 to \$11,859 and parcel #15-35-320-017-0000 to \$25,433 based on the agreement of the parties.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject parcel #15-35-320-016-0000 of \$13,637 and parcel #15-35-320-017-0000 of \$29,445. The board of review acknowledged the appeal was filed as a "rollover" pursuant to Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) based on the decision issued by the Property Tax Appeal Board in Docket No. 17-23950. The board of review further stated that 2017 was the first year of the general assessment cycle and no township equalization factor was applied by county assessment officials. The board of review had no objection to the rollover request.

## **Conclusion of Law**

The appellant raised a contention of law asserting that the assessment of the subject property as established by the Property Tax Appeal Board for the 2017 tax year should be carried forward to the 2018 tax year pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code. (35 ILCS 200/16-185). When a contention of law is raised the burden of proof is a preponderance of the evidence. (See 5 ILCS 100/10-15). The Board finds the appellant met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that the assessment as established by this Board for the 2017 tax year should be carried forward to the 2018 tax year pursuant to the owner-occupied residence "rollover" provision provided by section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code.

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(d) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(d)) 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.



## 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:

May 16, 2023

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 <u>PETITION AND</u> <u>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 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.

## PARTIES OF RECORD

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