

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Kasia Cebula-Nemmers

DOCKET NO.: 22-31134.001-R-1 through 22-31134.002-R-1

PARCEL NO.: See Below

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Kasia Cebula-Nemmers, the appellant, by attorney Scott Shudnow, of Shudnow & Shudnow, Ltd. 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:

DOCKET NO	PARCEL NUMBER	LAND	IMPRVMT	TOTAL
22-31134.001-R-1	17-09-319-027-1055	765	40,318	\$41,083
22-31134.002-R-1	17-09-319-027-1123	48	3,369	\$3,417

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 2022 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 two parcels improved with a residential condominium unit that is located on the 11th floor in a 14-story condominium building of masonry exterior construction that contains 146 units. The condominium building is approximately 18 years old. The subject unit contains 1,440 square feet of living area and features two bedrooms, two baths, central air conditioning, one fireplace, two balconies and a 1-car garage. The subject has a combined 1.87% interest in the common elements of the condominium property. The property has a 12,788 square foot site and is located in Chicago, West Chicago Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-99 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

¹ The description of the subject property was gleaned from the appraisal submitted by the appellant.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted an appraisal of the subject property estimating a market value of \$445,000 as of January 1, 2021. The appellant disclosed the subject is an owner-occupied residence.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$58,108. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$581,080 or \$403.53 per square foot of living area, including land, when applying the level of assessment for class 2 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 10%. The board of review disclosed a township equalization factor was not applied for West Chicago Township for the 2022 tax year.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted a sales analysis prepared by Marco Fernandez, an analyst with the Cook County Board of Review that utilized 37 sales within the subject condominium building.

In rebuttal the appellant's counsel noted the subject property has a 2021 pending appeal before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board. Counsel asserted The Property Tax Code provides that if the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessed valuation of a residential property said decision will remain in effect for the remainder of the Triennial General Assessment Period provided that the subject remains owner occupied and has not subsequently been sold in an arm's length transaction. At the current time the subject has not been sold and remains owner occupied. As a result, the appellant's counsel is requesting the 2021 decision be rolled over to the 2022 tax year pursuant to Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code.

Pursuant to section 1910.90(i) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board, the Property Tax Appeal Board takes official notice that the subject property was the subject matter of appeal before the Board for the 2021 tax year under Docket No. 21-30251. (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.90(i)). In that appeal, the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision lowering the total assessment of the subject property to \$44,500 based on the evidence submitted by the parties. Furthermore, the appellant disclosed the subject was an owner-occupied residence that was not refuted by the board of review.

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 a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that the total assessment as established by the Board for the 2021 tax year of \$44,500 should be carried forward to the 2022 tax year subject only to equalization as provided by section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code.

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) states in part:

If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel on which a residence occupied by the owner is situated, such reduced assessment, subject to equalization, shall remain in effect for the remainder of the general assessment period as provided in Sections 9-215 through 9-225, unless that parcel is subsequently sold in an arm's length transaction establishing a fair cash value for the parcel that is different from the fair cash value on which the Board's assessment is based, or unless the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board is reversed or modified upon review.

The Board finds that the subject property was the subject matter of an appeal before the Property Tax Appeal Board for the 2021 tax year under Docket No. 21-30251 in which a decision was issued based upon the evidence presented by the parties reducing the subject's total assessment to \$44,500. The record indicates that the subject property is an owner-occupied dwelling and that 2021 and 2022 tax years are within the same general assessment period. The record further indicates that no equalization factor was applied in West Chicago Township for the 2022 tax year. Furthermore, there was no evidence the subject property recently sold establishing a different fair cash value. For these reasons the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted to reflect the assessment as established in the Board's prior year's decision.

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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. 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.

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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:	November 25, 2025		
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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 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 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.

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