

Will County Attorney Wins Reversal Before The Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board; County Board Decides Not to Appeal

Home owner appealed real estate tax assessment for his home with help of attorney; successful appeal resulted in 13% tax bill reduction for 2015 alone

ST. CHARLES, ILLINOIS, UNITED STATES, July 26, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- St. Charles real estate attorney William "Bill" Blanchard successfully appealed a determination by the Will County Board of Review ("BOR") regarding the real estate tax assessment for a Homer Township homeowner ("Appellant"). On May 15, 2018 the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board ("PTAB") unanimously adopted the request by the Appellant for a reduction of his 2015 tax assessment. The BOR decided not to appeal the decision which now becomes final.

The Homer Township Assessor originally determined the fair market value of value of the 3,455 square foot, 2-story home in Hidden Valley Estates as \$436,207, while the homeowner, represented by Mr. Blanchard at the BOR hearing, requested an assessment based upon a value of \$380,800. The BOA issued a "No Change" opinion which Mr. Blanchard appealed to PTAB. PTAB's decision in favor of the homeowner to reduce the fair market value by \$55,407 resulted in a 13% tax



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bill reduction for the homeowner on his 2015 real estate tax bill. The over-payment will be refunded by the Will County Treasurer.

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<u>William B. Blanchard</u> represents residential, commercial and industrial property owners who feel they are entitled to assessment reductions in Will, Kane and DuPage Counties in Illinois.

Further information about the Illinois Property Tax System is available at http://tax.illinois.gov/publications/localgovernment/ptax1004.pdf. Specifically about Will County, Illinois, additional real property tax information is at <u>http://www.willcountysoa.com/search</u> <u>address.aspx</u>.

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Mr. Blanchard gained distinction as a real estate assessment attorney by representing 23 Will County senior citizen home owners before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and winning every case; this in addition to several successful appeals before various County Boards of Appeal.

Bill is often interviewed for comments on significant legal and real estate news and is developing a blog for discussion of relevant judicial decisions affecting the title insurance industry.

Attorney Profile of William B Blanchard



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