PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MEETINGS ARE RECORDED

<u>AGENDA</u> <u>Value Adjustment Board</u> <u>Organizational Meeting - August 24, 2017 - 9:00 a.m.</u> <u>Ernie Lee Magaha Government Building - First Floor</u>

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Was the Meeting properly advertised?

<u>Recommendation</u>: That the Board accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the certified affidavit establishing proof of publication for the Meeting, as published in the *Pensacola News Journal* on August 21, 2016.

The Public Notice was also posted on the Escambia County Clerk of the Court and Comptroller's website.

3. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman.

<u>Recommendation:</u> That the Board take the following action:

A. Rescind the Board's action of January 17, 2017, electing Mr. Gerald Adcox as Chairman, and Commissioner Jeffrey W. Bergosh as Vice Chairman; and

B. Elect the a Chairman and Vice Chairman for the 2017 Tax Year.

Florida Administrative Code Rule 12D-9.004(1)(a) states that a member of the governing body of the county shall be elected as the chair of the Value Adjustment Board.

4. Selection of Private Counsel.

<u>Recommendation:</u> That the Board select one of the following Applicants for Private Counsel for the 2017 tax year and authorize the Chairman to execute a Contract for Services of Private Counsel, in accordance with Chapter 194.035 (1), Florida Statutes, effective August 24, 2017, through August 24, 2018:

- A. Larry A. Matthews; or
- B. Suzanne N. Whibbs.

5. Introduction of Value Adjustment Board (VAB) Members and VAB Clerk.

2017 VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA CONTACT INFORMATION					
NAME TITLE E-MAIL & MAILING ADDRESS PHONE NUMBER					
County Commissioner Steven L. Barry	VAB Member	district5@co.escambia.fl.us P.O. Box 1591 Pensacola, FL 32591	(850) 595-4950		
County Commissioner Jeffrey W. Bergosh	VAB Member	district2@co.escambia.fl.us P.O. Box 1591 Pensacola, FL 32591	(850) 595-4920		
School Board Member Kevin Adams (District 1)	VAB Member	kadams@escambia.k12.fl.us 75 North Pace Boulevard Pensacola, FL 32505	(850) 469-6137		
Gerald W. Adcox	VAB Member (School Board Citizen Appointee)	gerald@adcoximports.com 5603 North ""W"" Street Pensacola, FL 32505"	(850) 439-9209		
Richie Faunce	VAB Member (BCC Citizen Appointee)	rrfaunce@att.net 10311 Bowman Avenue Pensacola, FL 32534	(850) 712-7533		
Suzanne Whibbs	VAB Attorney	suzanne@whibbsandstone.com 801 West Romana Street Pensacola, FL 32502	(850) 434-5395		
Pam Childers	Clerk of the Circuit Court	pchilders@escambiaclerk.com 190 Governmental Center Pensacola, FL 32502	(850) 595-4310		
Lizabeth Carew	Administrative Specialist	Icarew@escambiaclerk.com 221 Palafox Place, Ste. 110 Pensacola, FL 32502	(850) 595-3917		

6. Overview of Sunshine Law (Section 286.011, Florida Statutes), Public Records Law (Chapter 119, Florida Statutes), and Voting Conflicts (Chapter 112, Florida Statutes).

The 2016 Government-In-The-Sunshine Manual can be accesed via the following link: <u>http://www.myflsunshine.com/sun.nsf/sunmanual</u>

7. Florida Administrative Code Rules 12D-9, 12D-10, 12D-51.001, 12D-51.002, and 12D-51.003 and Florida Statute, Chapters 192 through 195.

The following Florida Administrative Code Rules can be accessed on the Florida Department of Revenue's website via the following links:

- The Uniform Policies and Procedures Manual, containing Florida Administrative Code Rule Chapters 12D-9 and 12D-10, <u>http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/vab/</u>
- Classified Use Real Property Guidelines, Standard Assessment Procedures and Standard Measures of Value, Agricultural Guidelines, 1982, 12D-51.001, <u>http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/rp/pdf/FLag.pdf</u>
- Tangible Personal Property Appraisal Guidelines, 1997, 12D-51.002, http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/pdf/paguide.pdf
- Florida Real Property Appraisal Guidelines (FRPAG), 2002, 12D-51.003, http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/rp/pdf/FLrpg.pdf

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<u>Recommendation</u>: That the Board confirm, for the record, that Resolution R2015-1, which was adopted by the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) on August 18, 2015, remains in effect until repealed by the VAB, and provides that a petition filed pursuant to Section 194.013, Florida Statutes, and Rule Chapter 12D-9.013(k), F.A.C., shall be accompanied by a filing fee, to be paid to the Clerk of the Circuit Court, in the amount of \$15 for each separate parcel of property, real or personal, covered by the petition.

11. Approval of Minutes.

<u>Recommendation</u>: That the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Value Adjustment Board held January 17, 2017, as prepared by Lizabeth Carew, Administrative Specialist, Clerk & Comptroller's Office.

12. Adjournment.



Pam Childers Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Escambia County

Clerk of Courts • County Comptroller • Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners • Recorder • Auditor

Value Adjustment Board Organizational Meeting		
Meeting Date	: 08/24/2017	
Issue:	Selection of Private Counsel	
From:	Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller	
Organization	: Clerk & Comptroller's Office	

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Background:

N/A

Attachments

2017 VAB Counsel Application - Matthews 2017 VAB Counsel Application - Whibbs 4.

Larry A. Matthews * Raymond F. Higgins, III

Thomas R. Jenkins, Of Counsel*

* Also admitted in Alabama

* Certified Circuit Court Mediator

* Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer



July 17, 2017

Hon. Pam Childers Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller Attn: Lizabeth Carew, Clerk to the Board's Office Value Adjustment Board 221 Palafox Place, Suite 110 Pensacola, FL 32502-5843

Re: Counsel to the Value Adjustment Board

Dear Ms. Childers:

Please accept my enclosed application and resume for your consideration for the position of Counsel to the VAB. My proposed rates are \$150/hour. For additional information, please see our firm website at <u>www.matthewshigginslaw.com.</u> Please also note that I have been Special Magistrate for Escambia County since 2013, am currently Special Magistrate for Santa Rosa County for code violations and served once as Special Magistrate for Santa Rosa County in 2015 on a conflict case.

Thank you for your consideration. If there is anything else you need, please let me know.

Sincerely,

MATTHEWS & HIGGINS, LLC

Larry A. Matthews Lmatthews@matthewshigginslaw.com

Enclosure

114 E. Gregory Street (32502) Post Office Box 13145 Pensacola, Florida 32591

Telephone: Pensacola (850) 434-2200 Panama City (850) 769-7200 Facsimile: (850) 434-2600

Web Address: www.matthewshigginslaw.com

APPLICATION COUNSEL TO THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED, ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS

1. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING GENERAL INFORMATION:

NAME: Larry Matthews
BUSINESS NAME: Matthews + Higgins
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 114 2. Gregory St. funsacola, FL 32502
PHONE: 34-2200
EMAIL: I matthews @ matthews hizg inslaw com

- 2. ARE YOU AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY?____YES___X_NO
- 3. HOURLY RATE \$ 15℃ MINIMUM HOURS: _____
- 4. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
 - A. FLORIDA BAR NUMBER: <u>339601</u> ADMISSION DATE: 1981
 - B. BRIEFLY EXPLAIN THE BASIS FOR YOUR EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE IN ISSUES THAT COME BEFORE A VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD:

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C. LIST ANY DISBARMENT, SUSPENSION, OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED FROM ANY ORGANIZED BAR ASSOCIATION:

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LIST EACH INSTANCE IN WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN DISMISSED, TERMINATED, OR 5. DENIED APPOINTMENT AS COUNSEL FOR A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR BOARD DUE TO POOR OR IMPROPER PERFORMANCE:

none	

LIST ANY PERSONAL OR BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP YOU HAVE WITH PROPERTY 6. APPRAISER'S OFFICE, CLERK OF THE COURT'S OFFICE, COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, OR MEMBERS OF THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD:

none	

7. LIST ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT QUALIFIES YOU TO SERVE AS COUNSEL TO THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD:

SEE a ttached resume

THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES, UNDER PENALTY OF DISQUALIFICATION FROM CONSIDERATION. THAT EACH ITEM CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION. OR OTHER DOCUMENT FURNISHED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE. THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORIZES THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD TO OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM OTHER SOURCES TO VERIFY EACH ITEM CONTAINED HEREIN. THE UNDERSIGNED ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IF SELECTED HE/SHE WILL FOLLOW ALL REQUIREMENTS AND MANDATES OF LAW IN FULFILLING THE DUTIES OF COUNSEL TO THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT



MATTHEWS & HIGGINS, LLC

Insurance Defense and Civil Trial Attorneys

Larry A. Matthews

Mr. Matthews specializes in general civil litigation practice with an emphasis in the defense of personal injury matters including automobile negligence, professional negligence, premises liability, products liability, employment law and civil rights litigation. In addition, Mr. Matthews has experience in commercial litigation including insurance coverage matters, real property, and fire and casualty matters, with a recent concentration in toxic tort litigation and complex case/class action litigation.

A member of both the Florida and Alabama Bar Associations, Mr. Matthews is AV rated and a board certified civil trial attorney as well as a certified circuit court mediator. Mr. Matthews is licensed to practice in both the Northern and Middle Districts of the United States District Court in Florida and the Southern District in Alabama. Mr. Matthews belongs to numerous professional organizations including the American Trial Lawyers Association, the American Board of Trial Advocates and the Florida Defense Lawyers Association.

EDUCATION

Florida State University Tallahassee, Florida	Juris Doctor Honors	1981
University of Florida Gainesville, Florida	Bachelor of Science, Accounting Honors	1976

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer (Florida) Certified Circuit Court Mediator (Florida)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Florida Bar (1982) Alabama State Bar (1994) U.S. Supreme Court U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit U.S. District Court, Northern and Middle Districts of Florida U.S. District Court, Southern District of Alabama American Trial Lawyers Association American Board of Trial Advocates

Special Master, Value Adjustment Board Certified Public Accountant (inactive)

Florida Defense Lawyers Association The Federal Bar Association Tax Court American Inns of Court

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1. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING GENERAL INFORMATION:

NAME: <u>Syzenne N. Whibbs</u> BUSINESS NAME: <u>Whibbs</u> Stone Barnett, PA. BUSINESS ADDRESS: <u>801</u> W. Romana, Unit C. Persawlq FI 30502 PHONE: <u>850-434.5295</u> EMAIL: <u>SUZANNE P. Whibbs</u> Jaw. com

- 2. ARE YOU AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY?____YES____NO
- 3. HOURLY RATE \$ 250. MINIMUM HOURS:
- 4. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
 - A. FLORIDA BAR NUMBER: 12277 ADMISSION DATE: 9/04/97
 - B. BRIEFLY EXPLAIN THE BASIS FOR YOUR EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE IN ISSUES THAT COME BEFORE A VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD:

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Suzanne Noland Whibbs

2923 Bay Street Gulf Breeze, Florida 32563 (850) 434-5395 or (850) 324-3059 suzanne@whibbslaw.com

Education

Samford University, Cumberland School of Law, Birmingham, Alabama Juris Doctor, May 1997

Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, May 1993 Cum Laude

Employment

Whibbs Stone Barnett, P.A., June 1998 to the present 801 W. Romana Street, Unit C, Pensacola, Florida 32502 Partner in law firm since June 1998 to the present. Major areas of practice include Real Property, Contracts, Estate Planning, Probate, Guardianships, and Social Security Disability

Escambia County Value Adjustment Board attorney, 2010 to the present

Represent the Escambia County Value Adjustment Board in hearings on petitions filed by property owners objecting to the valuation of their property and/or denial of exemptions. Advise the board and clerk of court on various issues relating to the law and administrative rules.

University of West Florida, Legal Studies Program, Fall 2009 and Fall 2010 An adjunct professor teaching <u>Wills</u>, <u>Estates and Trust</u> class.

James L. Chase & Associates, P.A., May 1997 through June 1998 101 E. Government Street, Pensacola, Florida 32502 Associate attorney for James L. Chase. Major area of practice: Family Law

Professional Associations and Certifications

Admitted to Florida Bar Admitted to United States Court Northern District of Florida Admitted to Supreme Court of United States Member of Escambia-Santa Rosa Bar Association Member of Advisory Board to University of West Florida Legal Studies Program

Community Involvement

Pensacola Junior College Foundation Board of Governors member Past member of Sacred Heart Women and Children's Advisory Board Past Member of Finance Committee at St. Paul's Catholic Church Past member of Junior League of Pensacola Member of several social organizations



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Organization	: Clerk & Comptroller's Office	

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Re: Special Magistrate for the Value Adjustment Board

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Sincerely yours,

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Larry A. Matthews Imatthews@matthewshigginslaw.com

LAM:nds Enclosures

Escambia County Value Adjustment Board Application for Special Magistrate

	Applicant Informa	ation	
Full Name: Larry Mat	thews	Date: <u>7-17-17</u>	
Address: 114 E. 6-194	ory St.	Date: <u>7-17-17</u>	
PEnsacola	FL 32502		
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Escambia County Value Adjustment Board

Application for Special Magistrate

Attorney Magistrate Qualifications – Complete Only if Applying for Attorney Magistrate
Are you a member of the Florida Bar? \checkmark YesNo Bar #: 339601 How many years of experience have you had in the area of ad valorem taxation? List any disbarment, suspension, or any other disciplinary action that you have received from any organized Bar Association:
Appraiser Magistrate Qualifications to Hear Value Petitions – Complete Only if Applying for Appraiser Magistrate
Are you a State certified real estate appraiser?YesNo License #: How many years of experience have you had in property valuation? List each instance in which you have been fined, reprimanded, placed on probation, disciplined, or otherwise prevented from conducting broker or appraisal services by the Florida Real Estate Commission or the Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board:
Are you a designated member of a nationally recognized appraiser's organization?YesNo List those organizations and your designation:

PROVIDE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO VERIFY EACH DESIGNATION. APPLICANTS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED UNTIL VERIFICATION IS RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Escambia County Value Adjustment Board Application for Special Magistrate

Appraiser Magistrate Qualifications to Hear Value Petitions – Complete Only if Applying for Appraiser Magistrate – Continued
Have you ever appraised tangible property?YesNo
If yes, describe the experience you have appraising tangible property:
How many years of experience have you had in tangible property valuation?
Are you interested in hearing tangible property valuation appeals?YesNo
Education
Please describe your education, including schools attended, degrees, and relevant certifications and licenses not previously listed*:

*In lieu of the above, you may attach your current resume.

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Escambia County Value Adjustment Board Application for Special Magistrate

Oath and Signature

The undersigned certifies, under penalty of disqualification from consideration, that each item contained in this application, or other document(s) furnished by or on behalf of the applicant, is true and complete as of the date it bears. The undersigned authorized the Value Adjustment Board to obtain information from other sources to verify each item contained herein. The undersigned acknowledges that, if selected, he/she will follow all requirements and mandates of law in fulfilling the duties of special magistrate to the Value Adjustment Board.

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Date: _____

Submit Application to the Value Adjustment Board Clerk by July 31, 2017:

Honorable Pam Childers Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Attn: Lizabeth Carew, Clerk to the Board's Office Value Adjustment Board 221 Palafox Place, Suite 110 Pensacola, Florida 32502-5843 (850) 595-3920

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN A <u>SEALED ENVELOPE</u> AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 31, 2017. <u>ALL</u> APPLICATIONS WILL BE OPENED ON AUGUST 1, 2017



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Honors

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- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern and Middle Districts of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Alabama

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American Trial Lawyers Association American Board of Trial Advocates Florida Defense Lawyers Association The Federal Bar Association Tax Court American Inns of Court





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Organization	: Clerk & Comptroller's Office	

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Escambia County Value Adjustment Board Application for Special Magistrate

		Applicant Infor	mation	
Full Name:	STEVEN L. MAR	SHALL, MAI, SRA, AI-GR	<u>S</u> Date:_	July 21, 2017
Address:	Clayton, Roper &	Clayton, Roper & Marshall, Inc.,		
	246 N. Westmont	e Drive, Altamonte Spring	s, Florida 32714	
Phone: (Work) 40	7-772-2200 x 314(Cell) 407-258-1518	(E-mail Address <u>) s</u>	marshall@crmre.com
Hourly Rate:	\$175 **	Minimum Hours:	8	
** I request	that the VAB reimbur	se me for airfare, hotel, m	eals and a rental car, i	n addition to my hourly rate.
Escambia Cour	ntv usually holds h	earings in October and	l November. List a	nv dates vou WOULD NOT

Escambia County usually holds hearings in October and November. List any dates you <u>WOULD NOT</u> be available.

Dates Not Available:

<u>I am scheduled for two trials – likely in October and November.</u> I will advise the attorney clients to give priority to VAB hearing dates.

List the counties where you have served as Special Magistrate:

Osceola, Orange, Santa Rosa, Escambia, Brevard

Pursuant to § 194.035, Fla. Stat., a person cannot serve as a special magistrate if he or she is an elected or appointed official of a county, a taxing jurisdiction, or the state; is an employee of a county, a taxing jurisdiction, or a state; or, in the same tax year that he or she serves the board as a special magistrate, represents a party before the board in any administrative review of property taxes.

Are you an elected or appointed official of a county, a taxing jurisdiction or the state? ____Yes __X_No

Are you an employee of a county, a taxing jurisdiction, or the state? ____Yes __X_No

Have you represented a party before the board in an administrative review of property taxes this tax year? ____Yes __X__No

All applicants are required, annually, under § 194.035, Fla. Stat., to complete training provided by the Department of Revenue. Prior to conducting any 2017 VAB Hearings, this training is required for all special magistrates selected to serve the Escambia County Value Adjustment Board. <u>Individuals who are otherwise qualified and have at least three years, but less than five years, of relevant experience, and who want to be considered for appointment as special magistrate, must complete this training and the exam.</u>

If you have taken the 2017 training course, attach your completion certificate to this application. If you have not, go online to the Department of Revenue's website at http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/cofficials, complete the training, and forward your completion certificate to vab@escambiaclerk.com no later than July 31, 2017.

Escambia County Value Adjustment Board

Application for Special Magistrate

Attorney Magistrate Qualifications – Complete Only if Applying for Attorney Magistrate

Are you a member of the Florida Bar? _____Yes ____X___No Bar #:

How many years of experience have you had in the area of ad valorem taxation?

List any disbarment, suspension, or any other disciplinary action that you have received from any organized Bar Association:

Appraiser Magistrate Qualifications to Hear Value Petitions – Complete Only if Applying for Appraiser Magistrate

Are you a State certified real estate appraiser? X_Yes ____No License #: RZ 155

How many years of experience have you had in property valuation? 41

List each instance in which you have been fined, reprimanded, placed on probation, disciplined, or otherwise prevented from conducting broker or appraisal services by the Florida Real Estate Commission or the Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board: N/A ______

Are you a designated member of a nationally recognized appraiser's organization? ___X___Yes _____No List those organizations and your designation:

The Appraisal Institute -- MAI, SRA, AI-GRS

PROVIDE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO VERIFY EACH DESIGNATION. APPLICANTS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED UNTIL VERIFICATION IS RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Appraiser Magistrate Qualifications to Hear Value Petitions – Complete Only if Applying for Appraiser Magistrate – Continued

Have you ever appraised tangible property? __X_Yes ____No If yes, describe the experience you have appraising tangible property:

Tangible property is frequently a part of my appraisal practice. I appraise hotel/motels, timeshare resorts, restaurants and convenience stores with gas pumps when I must estimate the contributory value of FF&E.

How many years of experience have you had in tangible property valuation? _____40_____

Are you interested in hearing tangible property valuation appeals? __X_Yes ____No

Education

Please describe your education, including schools attended, degrees, and relevant certifications and licenses not previously listed*: <u>See attached Qualifications</u>

^{*} In lieu of the above, you may attach your current resume.

Escambia County Value Adjustment Board Application for Special Magistrate

Oath and Signature

The undersigned certifies, under penalty of disqualification from consideration, that each item contained in this application, or other document(s) furnished by or on behalf of the applicant, is true and complete as of the date it bears. The undersigned authorized the Value Adjustment Board to obtain information from other sources to verify each item contained herein. The undersigned acknowledges that, if selected, he/she will follow all requirements and mandates of law in fulfilling the duties of special magistrate to the Value Adjustment Board.

Signature: July 21, 2017 Date:

Submit Application to the Value Adjustment Board Clerk by July 31, 2017:

Honorable Pam Childers Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Attn: Lizabeth Carew, Clerk to the Board's Office Value Adjustment Board 221 Palafox Place, Suite 110 Pensacola, Florida 32502-5843 (850) 595-3920

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN A <u>SEALED ENVELOPE</u> AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 31, 2017. <u>ALL</u> APPLICATIONS WILL BE OPENED ON AUGUST 1, 2017

QUALIFICATIONS OF STEVEN L. MARSHALL, MAI, AI-GRS

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BUSINESS ADDRESS

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PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS

MAI, SRA	Appraisal Institute
AI-GRS	Appraisal Institute
Member	Orlando Board of Realtors
Member	Florida and National Association Realtors
Registered Real Estate Broker	State of Florida
State-Certified General Real Estate Appraiser	State of Florida - Expires November 30, 2018
License Number:	RZ 155
FNMA Number:	1195447

EDUCATION

B.A. Degree, Communication Arts, University of West Florida - 1975

REAL ESTATE COURSES UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE APPRAISAL INSTITUTE

(formerly America	n Institute of Real Estate Appraisers):
Course I-A	Basic Appraisal Principles
Course I-B	Capitalization Theory and Techniques
Course II	Valuation Analysis and Report Writing Methods & Techniques
Course II-1	Case Studies in Real Estate Valuation
Course VI	Introduction to Real Estate Investment Analysis
Course VIII	Single-Family Residential Appraisal
SPP	Standards of Professional Practice
R-2	Narrative Report Writing
Review Theory - (General

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The Appraisal Institute conducts a voluntary program of continuing education for its designated members. MAI's who meet the minimum standards of this program are awarded periodic educational certification. I am currently certified under this program through December 31, 2021.

CREDIT FOR COURSES UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE APPRAISAL INSTITUTE

(formerly the Society of Real Estate Appraisers):		
Course 101	Introduction to Appraising Real Property	
Course 201	Principles of Income Property Appraising	
R-2	Narrative Report Writing	

COMPLETED EXAMINATIONS FOR REAL ESTATE SECURITIES AND SYNDICATION EDUCATION UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS

Series 22	Direct Participation Program Representative
Series 39	Direct Participation Program Principal

<u>CREDIT FOR THE FOLLOWING SEMINARS SPONSORED BY THE APPRAISAL INSTITUTE*</u> <u>AND OTHER ENTITIES</u>

(*formerly the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and the Society of Real Estate Appraisers): **IRS Valuation - Webinar** Appraisal Regulations of the Federal Banking Agencies (Title XI FIRREA) Federal Home Loan Bank Board - Memorandum R-41b Federal Home Loan Bank Board - Memorandum R-41c Valuation and Evaluation of Proposed Projects **Creative Financing/Cash Equivalency** Investment Feasibility Market & Marketability Analysis **Cash Flow & Risk Analysis** Narrative Report Writing Seminar **Standards of Professional Practice Environmental Concerns - Hazardous Waste** Appraiser State Certification Program Investment Criteria of Purchasers of Major Commercial Properties **Hotel Valuation** Appraising in a Changing Economy Using Lotus 1-2-3 in the Appraisal Office **Electronic Spreadsheet in the Appraisal Office** Real Estate Appraisal Course Instructor's Clinic **Appraising Interim Use Properties Easement Valuation** Understanding Limited Appraisals and Reporting Options - General Single-Family Construction HP-12C Calculator From the Appraiser to the Underwriter Professional Standards USPAP Update Core Law for Appraisers Analyzing Operating Expenses Land Management Dept. 1995, 1996 and 1997 Annual Seminar (S. Fla. Water Mgmt. District) Argus Financial Software Use Seminar The Internet and the Appraiser Understanding and Using DCF Software Appraising Rural Properties in southeast Florida Professional Standards USPAP Update Core Law for Appraisers Valuation and the Evolution of the Real Estate Capital Market **Condemnation Appraising: Basic Principles and Applications Condemnation Appraising: Advanced Principles and Applications** SFWMD Current Appraisal Issues in Florida The IRS and FLPs: Where Are We Now Determination of Value - What is Fair? A Public Interest Value Program **Recent Developments in Federal Tax Valuation** The Real Estate Capital Markets: Case Studies in Valuation Section 8/HUD: Rent Comparability Studies **Government & Public Relations Chapter Forum**

Appraising the Appraisal: Appraisal Review– General Florida Core Law Update Subdivision Analysis Uniform Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions "The Yellow Book, Tallahassee, Florida 7-Hour National USPAP Update Course **Rail Corridor Acquisition Seminar** Appraising from Blueprints and Specifications The Road Less Traveled: Special Purpose Properties **Business Practices and Ethics** 2006 Scope of Work and the New USPAP Requirements **Evaluation Commercial Construction** A Professional's Guide to Conservation Easements Case Studies in Commercial Highest and Best Use Sovereignty Submerged Land Easements Appraisal Curriculum Overview (2 Day General) Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice Fundamentals of Separating Real Property, Personal Property and Intangible Business Assets Appraising the Appraisal: Appraisal Review-General HUD Multi-Family Accelerated Processing (MAP) - 3rd Party Technical Training Seminar **Review Theory – General** Litigation Assignments for Residential Appraisers: Doing Expert Work on Atypical Cases Central Florida Real Estate Forum Critical Thinking in Appraisals Understanding the New Interagency Appraisal and Evaluation Guidelines - Webinar Loss Prevention Supervisor / Trainee Roles and Rules Property Tax Assessment Introducing Valuation for Financial Reporting **Evaluating Commercial Construction**

EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE

U.S. Federal Bankruptcy Court Circuit Courts of Brevard, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Santa Rosa, Seminole and Volusia Counties.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2016 – National Volunteer of Distinction, Appraisal Institute
2006 – 2007 National Board of Directors, Appraisal Institute
2007 Chairman, Region X (Florida/Puerto Rico) Appraisal Institute
2006 Vice Chairman, Region X (Florida / Puerto Rico) Appraisal Institute
2005 – 2006 State Chairman, Florida AQB Criteria Implementation Task Force
2003 State Chairman – Florida Statute 475 Part II Rewrite Committee
2006 Legislative Volunteer Commendation – Department of Business and Professional Regulation
2003 Outstanding Service Award, Appraisal Institute
2003 Outstanding Service Award, Appraisal Institute
1995: Public Relations Committee Chairman, Region X, Appraisal Institute
1995: Member, National General Appraiser Board Examination Subcommittee
1990 - 1992: Member, National Public Relations Committee, Appraisal Institute
1991, 1992, 1999 to 2004: Region 10 Representative for East Florida Chapter, Appraisal Institute

1989 National Chairman - Young Advisory Council - Society of Real Estate Appraisers
Member - 1990 National Conference Committee, Society of Real Estate Appraisers
President, 1990 - Florida Chapter 100, Appraisal Institute
Member, Board of Directors, 1999-2001, East Florida Chapter, Appraisal Institute
Member - Board of Directors - 1986-1992 - Central Florida Chapter, Appraisal Institute
Member - East Florida Chapter, Appraisal Institute (Served on Government Affairs & Admissions Committees)
Alumni - Leadership Orlando Program - Orlando Chamber of Commerce
Special Magistrate - Property Appraisal Adjustment Board - Orange, Brevard, Osceola, Santa Rosa, and Escambia Counties, Florida

PARTIAL LIST OF PAST CLIENTS

Attorneys' Title Insurance Fund, Inc. **Banco Popular BankFirst Bank of America** BB&T Chicago Title **Citicorp Real Estate** Citizens Bank of Florida City of Orlando, Florida City of Pensacola, Florida Commerce National Bank **Escambia County** Exxon Company, USA Federal Department of Energy Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Federal National Mortgage Association **First Horizon** First Southern Bank Florida Bank of Commerce Florida Community Partners Florida Department of Environmental Protection GMAC Greater Orlando Chamber of Commerce **General Services Administration** General Electric Mortgage Insurance Cos. Hancock Bank Howard Johnson Company Iberia National Bank John Hancock Insurance KeyBank Key West Redevelopment Agency

Lincoln Property Company Lockheed Martin Metropolitan Life M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank **Mercantile Bank** Mobile Home Communities, Inc. Nara Bank National City Bank New York Life **Orlando Neighborhood Improvement** Corporation **Orange County Osceola County** PNC Bank Pensacola Housing Authority Prudential Insurance **Regions Bank** St. Joe Company Seminole County South Florida Water Management District SunTrust SunTrust Mortgage, Inc. **TD Bank** Trammell Crow Company Trust Company Bank **United Southern Bank** U.S. Bank Wells Fargo Westinghouse Electric Company **Zions First National Bank** ZOM Communities Inc.

APPRAISAL EXPERIENCE

I have completed a variety of appraisal and valuation assignments for commercial banks, insurance companies, other financial institutions and asset managers. I have extensive experience in subdivision development, industrial warehouses, apartments, shopping centers, office buildings, condominiums, hotels, mobile home parks, golf courses, retirement centers and undeveloped land. In addition to real estate valuation, past assignments include discounted cash flow analysis, leased fee and leasehold interest, highest and best use studies, market/feasibility studies, investment analysis and other forms of analysis involving investment grade properties.

I have served as a Special Magistrate or hearing officer reviewing property owner disputes regarding county valuations and exemptions in Orange, Brevard, Osceola, Santa Rosa, and Escambia Counties. I am familiar with Florida Statutes, case law, and Florida Department of Revenue rules and procedures regarding real property assessment and tax issues. I have made presentations regarding Value Adjustment Board Hearings to the Property Appraiser's Association of Florida (elected public appraiser) and the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) and The Appraisal Institute.

Special consultation assignments include preparation of appraisal guidelines, procedures, and policy manuals for use by mortgage lenders. I have presented a "Use of Real Estate Appraisals" seminar held for several Florida based financial institutions. I have made presentations to the Florida Department of Revenue, the real estate section of the Orange County Bar Association, the Florida Academy of Trial Lawyers, Building Owners & Managers Association (BOMA), and the Jacksonville Chapter of the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants. I participated in a seminar and mock trial regarding valuation of contaminated properties with the American Bar Association - Section of Litigation at their national convention. I chaired a panel of appraisers representing a coalition of prominent national appraisal organizations and prepared a rewrite/update of Florida Statute 475, Part II. This statute is the Florida law pertaining to the real estate appraisal profession.

STATE OF FLORIDA CERTIFICATION



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Pam Childers Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Escambia County

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Value Adjusti Meeting	ment Board Organizational
Meeting Date: 08/24/2017	
Issue:	Filing Fee Resolution
From:	Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller
Organization	Clerk & Comptroller's Office

Information

Recommendation:

Filing Fee Resolution.

<u>Recommendation</u>: That the Board confirm, for the record, that Resolution R2015-1, which was adopted by the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) on August 18, 2015, remains in effect until repealed by the VAB, and provides that a petition filed pursuant to Section 194.013, Florida Statutes, and Rule Chapter 12D-9.013(k), F.A.C., shall be accompanied by a filing fee, to be paid to the Clerk of the Circuit Court, in the amount of \$15 for each separate parcel of property, real or personal, covered by the petition.

Background:

N/A

Attachments

Resolution R2015-1

10.

VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY RESOLUTION R2015-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA; REPEALING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION R2012-1; REESTABLISHING FILING FEES FOR APPEALS TO THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD; ENACTING PROVISIONS FOR WAIVER OF THE FEE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Value Adjustment Board of Escambia County, Florida (VAB), considers petitions from taxpayers relating to property tax assessments and exemptions; and

WHEREAS, Section 194.013, Florida Statutes, and Rule Chapter 12D-9.013(k), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), authorize Value Adjustment Boards to establish, by resolution, a non-refundable filing fee for submitting a petition; and

WHEREAS the VAB desires to establish such a fee to defray the costs incurred in connection with the administration and operation of the VAB;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Value Adjustment Board Resolution R2012-1is hereby repealed.

Section 3. In accordance with Section 194.013, Florida Statutes, and Rule Chapter 12D-9.013(k), F.A.C., petitions filed pursuant to Section 194.011, Florida Statutes, shall be accompanied by a filing fee to be paid to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in an amount of \$15.00 for each separate parcel of property, real or personal, covered by the petition and subject to appeal. However, such filing fee may not be required with respect to an appeal from the disapproval of homestead exemption under Section 196.151, Florida Statutes, or from the denial of tax deferral under Section 197.2425. Only a single filing fee shall be charged as to any particular parcel of real property or tangible personal property account despite the existence of multiple issues and hearings pertaining to such parcel or account. For joint petitions filed pursuant to Section 194.011(3)(e), (f), or (g), Florida Statutes, a single filing fee shall be charged. Such fee shall be calculated as the cost of the special magistrate for the time involved in hearing the joint petition and shall not exceed \$5 per parcel of real property or tangible property account. Such fee is to be proportionately paid by the affected parcel owners. Section 4. The filing fee shall be waived with respect to a petition filed by a taxpayer who demonstrates at the time of filing, by an appropriate certificate or other documentation issued by the Department of Children and Family Services and submitted with the petition, that the petitioner is then an eligible recipient of temporary assistance under Chapter 414, Florida Statutes.

Section 5. All filing fees shall be non-refundable and shall be paid to the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the time of filing. If such fees are not paid at that time, the petition shall be deemed invalid and shall be rejected.

Section 6. All filing fees collected by the Clerk shall be allocated and utilized to defray, to the extent possible, the costs incurred in connection with the administration and operation of the VAB.

Section 7. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption, and shall remain in effect until repealed, and copies of this Resolution shall be provided to each member of the VAB upon his or her appointment to the VAB.

ADOPTED this 18th day of August 2015. VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Steven L. Barry, ChairmanATTEST: Date Executed Pam Childers SEA4 the Circuit Court & Comptroller 8/25/2015

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Title	VAB Legal Counsel
Date	8118115



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Value Adjusti Meeting	ment Board Organizational
Meeting Date: 08/24/2017	
Issue:	Approval of Minutes
From:	Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller
Organization	: Clerk & Comptroller's Office

Information

Recommendation:

Approval of Minutes.

<u>Recommendation</u>: That the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Value Adjustment Board held January 17, 2017, as prepared by Lizabeth Carew, Administrative Specialist, Clerk & Comptroller's Office.

Attachments

20170117 VAB Regular Meeting

11.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD HELD JANUARY 17, 2017 BOARD CHAMBERS, FIRST FLOOR, ESCAMBIA COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX 221 PALAFOX PLACE, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA (9:06 a.m. – 9:11 a.m.)

Present: Steven L. Barry, Board of County Commissioners Jeffrey W. Bergosh, Board of County Commissioners Kevin Adams, District School Board Suzanne Whibbs, Private Counsel Lizabeth Carew, Administrative Specialist, Clerk & Comptroller's Office Richie Faunce, Board of County Commissioners' Appointee

Absent: Gerald W. Adcox, District School Board Appointee

AGENDA NUMBER

1. Call to Order

Acting Chairman Barry called the Meeting of the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) to order at 9:06 a.m.

2. <u>Was the Meeting Properly Advertised?</u>

The VAB was advised by Lizabeth Carew, Administrative Specialist, Clerk & Comptroller's Office, that the meeting was advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* in the Board's Weekly Meeting Schedule for January 16 through January 17, 2017.

COMMISSIONER BARRY RELINQUISHED TO CHAIR TO COMMISSIONER BERGOSH TO ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS 3 AND 4

3. <u>Special Magistrates' Recommended Decisions</u>

Motion made by School Board Member Adams, seconded by Commissioner Barry, and carried 4-0, with Mr. Adcox absent, upholding the recommended decisions of the Special Magistrates for Petitions 2016-001, 2016-014, and 2016-104.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Mr. Faunce, seconded by Commissioner Barry, and carried 4-0, with Mr. Adcox absent, approving the Minutes of the Meetings of the Value Adjustment Board held December 16, 2015, August 25, 2016, and October 31, 2016, as prepared by Lizabeth Carew, Administrative Specialist, Clerk & Comptroller's Office.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VAB – Continued

AGENDA NUMBER - Continued

5. <u>Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman for the 2017 Tax Year</u>

Motion made by Commissioner Bergosh, seconded by School Board Member Adams, and carried 4-0, with Mr. Adcox absent, electing Mr. Adcox as Chairman.

Motion made by School Board Member Adams, seconded by Mr. Faunce, and carried 4-0, with Mr. Adcox absent, electing Commissioner Bergosh as Vice Chairman.

6. Adjournment

There being no further discussion to come before the Value Adjustment Board, Vice Chairman Chairman Bergosh declared the Meeting adjourned at 9:11 a.m.