

I Want to Protest My Taxes

A tax objection complaint is filed with the clerk of the circuit court, however, an objection to an assessment shall not be allowed by the court if an administrative remedy was available by complaint to the board of review under Section 16-55 of the Property Tax Code.

In other words, when assessment notices were mailed out and published in the newspaper, if you did not agree with your assessment, you had 30 days to file an appeal with the Board of Review. If no appeal was filed, your assessment became final for that assessment year. If you appealed your assessment with the Board of Review, but did not agree with their decision, you had 30 days to appeal to the State of Illinois Property Tax Appeals Board (PTAB). Final administrative decisions of PTAB are subject to review under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (circuit court). You can file a complaint about your assessment with the circuit court only after filing an appeal with the Board of Review and the PTAB. There are other tax objection complaints, but they do not involve your assessment or the Supervisor of Assessments Office.

The Supervisor of Assessments Office is responsible for assessments and exemptions. When tax bills are mailed out by the Treasurer, your Multi-township Assessor is working on the current year's assessments. (Your tax bill is for the previous year.) If you have questions concerning your assessment or exemptions, see the information on "Reassessment Request" and "Homestead Exemptions".