Members of the Firm

JOSE E. QUINTANA



Responsible for market research, analysis of comparable sales, verification of transactions with buyers and sellers. Responsible for research of market rents, expenses, capitalization rates, and preparation of income analysis for client properties. Nine years experience with the Dade County Property Appraiser's Office, assessment of

incoming properties, defense of Dade County's tax assessments at Value Adjustment Board hearings.

LAURENT BONNET



Organizes hearing schedules for Value Adjustment Boards.
Processes Special Master's Findings. Responsible for maintaining and updating over 3,000 client files. Processes the preparation of Value Adjustment Board petitions, property information sheets, and mailings

of documents to clients. Prepares all bills for clients and assists clients in obtaining refunds from Tax Collectors' offices. Responsible for coordinating projects for creation of electronic client files, and automating numerous internal reports.

SUSAN BERRY



Experienced legal secretary.

Prepares correspondence and legal documents for Board Hearings. Organizes data for personal property appraisals. Verifies status of clients's property tax bills with Tax Collector's offices. Opens new client files. Prepares exemption

applications for agricultural and educational institutions. Works with counties and clients to establish qualifications for homestead and other exemptions.

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STANLEY H. BECK, ESQUIRE Tax Counsel



Board Certified in Taxation by the Florida Bar, Certified Public Accountant (inactive). Experienced in representing owners before the Value Adjustment Board since 1970. Prepares analysis for income properties, and presents evidence at Board Hearings. Coordinates

presentations with appraisers for personal property hearings. Monitors State and Local legislation impacting clients' properties.

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DONNA VINER-TRAUTMAN



Experienced paralegal. Responsible for Accounts Receivable records. Communicates with clients regarding accounts, assists clients with obtaining refunds from Tax Collector's office, or modified tax bills. Assists in the preparation of Value Adjustment Board petitions. Scans documents

for retention and subsequent retrieval.

Commitment to Quality

NATASHA PERSAUD



Selects data to annually update present worth tables used in challenging personal property assessments. Analyzes clients' tangible personal property tax returns and fixed asset listings, and organizes evidence for submission at personal property Value Adjustment Board hearings. Communicates

with clients to obtain property information. Assists clients in obtaining refunds from Tax Collectors' offices. Scans documents for retention and subsequent retrieval.

MARK MITTLEMAN



Responsible for market research, analysis of comparable sales, verification with buyers, sellers and brokers. Conducts field inspections of client and comparable properties. Organizes photographic evidence for hearings, prepares maps and visual aids for use at Board Hearings. Organiz-

es articles of comparable sales for presentations. Scans research documents for subsequent retrieval and use at Board hearings.

LORI ANN FONKIN



Organizes, processes and maintains hearing schedules E-mailed from Value Adjustment Boards. Communicates with clients regarding accounts, assists clients with obtaining refunds from Tax Collector's office, or modified tax bills. Assists in the preparation of Value Adjustment Board petitions.

Scans documents for retention and subsequent retrieval.

Organizes income and other evidence for final presentation of documents for Value Adjustment Board.

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Re: Contingent Fee Tax Assessment Service

Dear Property Owner:

Property taxes represent the largest annual expense incurred in the operation of real estate. This expense can be controlled and minimized through the efforts of a qualified property tax consultant. The selection of a consultant is as crucial as the selection of a tax attorney or accounting firm which would represent you in any other contested tax matter.

To successfully challenge a tax assessment, one must overcome the Property Appraiser's statutory "presumption of correctness," and clearly demonstrate "just value," as defined by law. When selecting a property tax consultant; the owner should confirm the consultant's.

- legal expertise to understand Florida law and its application to tax assessments;
- experience and resources to research and analyze the real estate markets;
- long-term familiarity with local real estate markets and market trends, which is necessary to determine the comparability of a sale to a client's property.

To assist you in making this important decision, we are providing you with information regarding the members of our firm, some of the clients we have represented since 1982, and answers to questions frequently asked concerning property tax appeals.

We represent owners on a "contingent fee" basis. Accompanying this brochure is our standard contingent fee agreement. If you would like for us to represent you in connection with your tax assessment, please complete, sign and return the agreement.

If you should have any questions concerning the enclosed agreement, or our service, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Currently, our firm represents over 2000 properties in connection with tax assessment appeals.

Questions and Answers

Q. What is a contingent fee agreement?

A. You are only required to pay us if we succeed in reducing your assessment.

Q. Are we responsible for any costs?

A. The \$15.00 filing fee charged by the Value Adjustment Board for each parcel is the only cost you will incur in connection with our agreement.

Q. If our rental income is strong, does this affect our ability to obtain a reduction of our assessment?

A. By law, tax assessments are to be based upon "market rents", and not actual rent. This means that the Property Appraiser cannot assess a successful property owner differently than a property owner who mismanages his or her property.

Q. If you file a petition, can the Value Adjustment Board raise our assessment?

A. The Value Adjustment Board only has the power to sustain or reduce the assessment.

Is the rent my company pays to me relevant to the assessment of my property?

A. Assessments are based upon "market rents", and not leases between related parties.

Q. Does the amount of my mortgage payments affect my assessment?

A. Assessments are based upon the value of property, unencumbered.

We pay substantial tangible personal property taxes. Can you assist us in reducing our personal property tax assessment?

A. Yes. We have represented Florida's largest financial institutions, as well as other major firms, in connection with their tangible assessments.