

Fulton County Taxpayers Foundation

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Agreement To Appeal Your Assessment

The assessment comparables that you could obtain from your local library or from the Fulton County Taxpayers Foundation (FCTF), are simply not complete enough for you to decide whether to appeal or not. What is needed is access to your property record card (if needed), those of your neighbors and 3rd party values in order to professionally compare the size of your lot, the square footage of your home, the year of construction and other variables.

Therefore, the FCTF offers this Agreement:

1. The FCTF will assign your case to an experienced, professional Residential or Commercial Appraiser who will verify your property records and those of your neighbors. In addition, values of comparable sales, third party data and county data will be used to determine your case. Please be sure to attach the Notice of Assessment and any extenuating circumstances that would affect your appeal.
2. The Appraiser will use the above evidence to make your case in front of the Board of Equalization. The FCTF's fee would be an amount based on the scheduled listed on page 3 and *payable at the time of your decision to move forward with your appeal.*

Please note: the Board of Assessors may attempt to negotiate a reduction through the mail. It is at your discretion if you choose to accept a value. However, you will *not* be locked in for three years, *unless* you appear before the BOE. If you choose to accept a BOA value, you **must** contact our office immediately if your file is in the pipeline for a BOE hearing date.

*An additional fee will be charged for early determination on any appeal case. Please contact our office for more information.

If, despite the best efforts of the FCTF and the Assigned Appraiser, the Board of Equalization rejects the appeal, or, for some reason this appraisal process is halted, it is understood that you will not hold the FCTF or the Appraiser liable in any way.

Please Note: *As the owner of the property, any correspondence from the County, i.e. acknowledgement of your appeal, notice to schedule a meeting before the Board of Equalization, will go to you, not FCTF, unless otherwise stated and confirmed with our Executive Director.*

Agreed To, Signed By Homeowner (Owner As Indicated on Tax Records)

Owner of Record's Signature _____

2nd Owner of Record's Signature _____
(if applies)

Printed Name(s) _____

Property Address _____

Tax Parcel ID Number: _____

Contact Number _____

Email Address _____

Applied Fees _____

Appraiser Assigned _____

Appraiser Contact Number: _____

Fee Schedule for BOE Hearings, BOA Arbitrations and Mediations

Current Residential Market Value

\$1,000,000 or more	Fee \$500
\$500,000-999,999	Fee \$400
\$0-499,999	Fee \$300

Current Commercial Market Value

Fees based on market value, made payable to the Foundation
Assigned appraiser will be entitled to 15% of the 1st year savings

Early Determination Workup

within the two weeks allotted for preparation of hearing
Fee \$150

Travel and Millage for appeals outside the Metro Area

Fee TBD

The fee includes the Appraiser visiting your home and your neighbors' homes (if necessary) and preparing a professionally-written appeal, supported by photographs, to prepare for a hearing with the Board of Equalization or adjust the assessment immediately, through the Board of Assessors. If it is necessary to appear before the Board of Equalization, the FCTF Appraiser will represent you before the Board of Equalization, with the advantage that any reduction would be "locked in" for three years.