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Tax assessment appeal - Mansion house rule

- 1. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, taxation of real property must be uniform, and the only available exemptions are those enumerated in the Constitution.
- 2. All property made taxable by the Commonwealth shall be valued and assessed as provided in the Chester County Assessment Law, including real estate.
- The term "mansion" as used in the Chester County Assessment Law is simply synonymous with "dwelling house," and does not mean to refer to a manor or other great estate house.
- The Mansion House Rule provides that where a tract of land is divided by a county line, the whole tract is assessable in the county in which the mansion house is located.
- 5. The Mansion House Rule is aimed at preventing the mischief which would flow from contests between assessors of adjoining municipal divisions in respect to their duties of assessing property intersected by division lines, and it guards against the low valuation which an assessment of an entire property into one of two parcels tended to produce.
- 6. If county boundary lines pass through the mansion house, the owner of the land may choose the county in which the property will be assessed. If the owner refuses or fails to choose the county in which the property will be assessed, the county in which the larger portion of the mansion house is located has the right of assessment.
- 7. If vacant land is divided by the boundary lines of two counties, the land shall be assessed in each county in which it is located.
- 8. The D'Onofrio Trust took an appeal from a tax assessment. Following a *de novo* trial, the Court *Held*, that the Mansion House Rule applied and denied the appeal.

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C.C.P. Chester County, Civil Action – Tax Assessment Appeal, No. 2011-12826-AB; In re: Appeal of Luke A. D'Onofrio Trust from the Decision of the Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals for property located at 200 Three Ton Road, East Whiteland Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania for Tax Year 2012

Donald J. Weiss for Appellant
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Mark P. Thompson for Great Valley School District
Bereth K. Graeff for East Whiteland Township
Tunnell, J., November 5, 2012

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## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: APPEAL OF LUKE A. D'ONOFRIO

TRUST FROM THE DECISION OF THE

CHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSMENT

APPEALS FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT : NO. 2011-12826-AB

200 THREE TUN ROAD, EAST WHITELAND

TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY,

PENNSYLVANIA FOR TAX YEAR 2012

:

TAX PARCEL NO. 42-4-279.2

Donald J. Weiss, Esquire, for Appellant

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Mark P. Thompson, Esquire, for Great Valley School District

Bereth K. Graeff, Esquire, for East Whiteland Township

## **DECISION**

The issue in this real estate tax assessment appeal is whether the "Mansion House Rule" should be applied under the facts of this case where a commercial building is bisected by a tax parcel line. The court finds that the Rule is applicable, and denies the appeal accordingly, based on the following:

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The subject property is located at 200 Three Tun Road, East Whiteland Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, more particularly identified as Chester County Tax Parcel No. 42-4-296.2 (hereinafter referred to as the "Property").
- 2. The Property consists of 12,946 square feet industrial multi-use building situated on 1.36 acres.
- 3. In 2005, the property owners, the Luke A. D'Onofrio Trust and Jean A. Schaeffer took title to approximately three acres of commercial real estate in East Whiteland Township.
- 4. Said real estate consisted of two lots, each bearing its own tax parcel numbers, namely UPI 42-4-296.2 and 42-4-296.3.
- 5. These tax parcels were combined by means of reverse subdivision, according to the deed of the property owners (Exhibit SD-1).
- 6. The property owners proposed to erect a warehouse building of about 20,000 square feet straddling the two tax parcels, with about 62% of the

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building being within parcel number 42-4-296.2.

- 7. After its completion, the assessment of the commercial building was split between the two tax parcels accordingly.
- 8. Parcel number 42-4-296.3 was later retired by the Chester County Tax Assessment Office, however, in order to activate the combination plan.
- 9. The Chief Assessor of the County, Joseph Finneran, became involved in the assessment recalculation. He testified that the practice of the Assessment Office in such instances is to follow the "Mansion House Rule".
- 10. However, in this case, there was no residential house involved and the line was neither a county or other municipal boundary line.
- 11. A tax assessor assessed the entirety of the value of the building in and as part of parcel number 42-4-296.2.
  - 12. The assessed value of the property is \$995,910.
- 13. The Common Level Ratio is 56% for the year in question, yielding an imputed fair market value of the property for the year beginning January 1, 2012 in the amount of \$1,778,410.71.
- 14. From this action, the Luke A. D'Onofrio Trust took a timely appeal.

## DISCUSSION

The matter at issue before the court is primarily one of law, with only a few pertinent facts. The Trust views this as a valuation case. The main issue to be determined is not the assessed value of the Property, but whether the method used to assess the Property was proper.

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, taxation of real property must be uniform, and the only available exemptions are those enumerated in the Constitution. Pa. Const. Art. VIII, §1 and §5. The taxes are to be collected pursuant to general laws. Pa. Const. Art. VIII, §1. In Chester County, the statute applicable to the taxation of real property is the Consolidated County Assessment Law, 53 Pa. C.S.A. §8801 et seq. ("CCAL") All property made taxable by the Commonwealth shall be valued and assessed as provided in the CCAL, including real estate. 53 Pa. C.S.A. §8811.

The problem of assessing property divided by boundary lines is addressed in §8818 of the CCLA, in which one finds the term "mansion house", hence the Mansion House Rule.

The term "mansion" as used in this sense is simply synonymous with "dwelling house", and does not mean to refer to a manor or other great estate house. The rule can be traced to the Act of July 11, 1842, P.L. 351 §59 (formerly 72 P.S. §5107-8). In its simplest form, the "Mansion House Rule" provides that where a tract of land is divided by a county line, the whole tract is assessable in the county in which the mansion house is located. The rule is aimed at preventing the mischief

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which would flow from contests between assessors of adjoining municipal divisions in respect to their duties of assessing property intersected by division lines, and it guards against the low valuation which an assessment of an entire property into one of two parcels tended to produce. *Bausman v. County of Lancaster*, 50 Pa. 208, 211 (1865). The modern formulation of the rule is as follows:

## 53 Pa. C.S.A. §8818

- (a) Assessment of lands divided by county boundary lines.
- If county boundary lines divide a tract of land, the land will be assessed in which the mansion house is located.
- (2) If county boundary lines pass through the mansion house, the owner of the land may choose the county in which the property will be assessed. If the owner refuses or fails to choose the county in which the property will be assessed, the county in which the larger portion of the mansion house is located has the right of assessment.
- (3) If vacant land is divided by the boundary lines of two counties, the land shall be assessed in each county in which it is located.
- (c) Assessment where township boundary lines pass through mansion house. If the boundary lines of any township and a city, borough or township pass through the mansion house, the owner of the land may choose the municipality in which the land shall be assessed. If the owner refuses or neglects to chose, the mansion house shall be considered to be entirely located in the township for assessment purposes.
- (d) Assessment where lands are divided by boundary lines between cities, boroughs or cities and boroughs.
- (1) If lands are divided by the boundary lines of two or more cities, two or more boroughs, or one or more cities and one or more

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boroughs, the lands shall be assessed in the city or borough in which the mansion house is located.

- (2) If the boundary lines pass through the mansion house, the lands shall be assessed in the city or borough in which the larger portion of the mansion house is located.
- (3) If vacant land is divided by the boundary lines of two or more cities, two or more boroughs, or one or more cities and one or more boroughs, the land shall be assessed in each municipality in which it is located.

It is plain from a reading of §8818(a) that there are several ways to deal with assessment of parcels that are divided by boundary lines and assessment of parcels which contain a mansion house that is divided by boundary lines. Regarding situations in which tracts of land are divided by county boundary lines, the entire tract is to be assessed in the county in which the mansion house lies. Where a mansion house contained on a tract is divided by the county lines, the owner of the land may choose where the property is to be assessed. However, if the owner does not so choose, the county in which the larger portion of the mansion house is located has the right of assessment. It is only where there is vacant land divided by a county boundary line that the statute provides for a split in the assessment between the two counties.

Similarly, §8818(c) addresses assessment of lands in which the boundary lines of a township and a city, borough or other township pass through a mansion house. The owner is again able to choose where the land is to be assessed. However, as with §8818(a), the owner must actually make that decision, or the mansion house will be considered to be located entirely in the township for assessment purposes. 53 Pa. C.S.A. §8818(c). Finally, §8818(d)(2), having to do with boundary lines between cities, boroughs or cities and boroughs, provides that if such boundary lines pass through a mansion house, the lands are to be assessed in the city or borough in which the larger portion of the mansion house is located. None of these sections provide that splitting a building assessment is the appropriate way to deal with boundary lines that pass through a mansion house as the property owners suggest should be done in this case.

The appealing property owner advances a method of assessment of the Property that enjoys no support in law, and one which this court must reject. The Assessment Office employed a method of assessment apportionment that is in accordance with the treatment of similar situations. Admittedly, this case has to do with a commercial building that is split by tax parcel lines, not a mansion house split

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by township or county boundary lines. But the logic is the same. The Pennsylvania legislature made a decision with its enactment of §8818 of the CCAL. The legislature decided that the proper method to deal with dwellings that were split by boundary lines was not to allow townships or counties to fight over the tax revenues, but instead to decide ahead of time how to assess those dwellings. The Assessment Office employed the same method here. The commercial building situated on the Property was, until very recently, split between two tax parcels. The property owners could have, in conformity with the statute, discussed the matter with the Assessment Office and requested that the building be assessed on one parcel or the other. They did not do so.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Mansion House Rule was properly applied by the Chester County Tax Assessment Office.
- 2. The whole value of the commercial building was properly assessed to the subject Property, containing as it does the greater portion of the structure.

  An appropriate order follows.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Mark L. Tunnell, J.

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## **ORDER**

AND NOW, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012, following a trial *de novo* in the above-captioned matter by the undersigned, sitting without a jury, we hereby DENY the appeal of Luke A. D'Onofrio Trust.

## BY THE COURT:

/s/ Mark L. Tunnell, J.

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Date of filing the Petition: November 5, 2012 Name to be changed from: Annika Ingrid Ridgway to: Annika Ingrid Tabata

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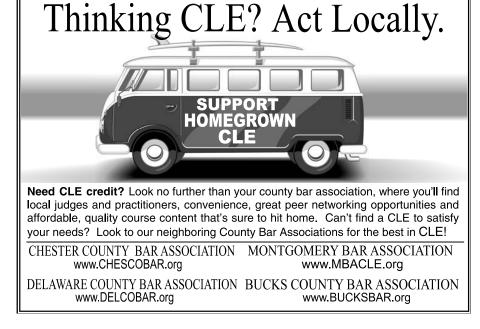
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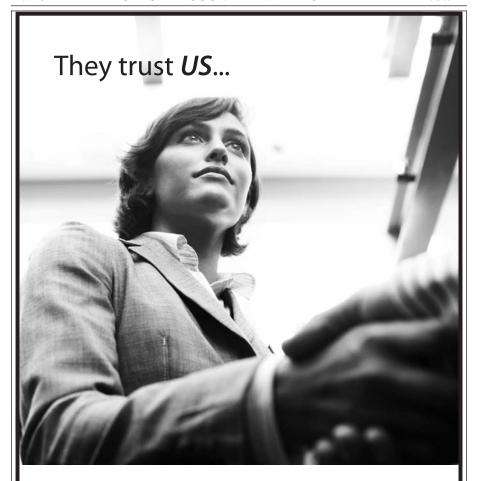
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