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Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School v. Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals

Real estate tax refund – Scope of appeal – Judgment on pleadings – Charter school law – Tax exemption - Retroactivity

- 1. A verified refund request must be made in writing, and such writing is a statutory condition precedent to the issuance of any refund.
- 2. In the event that the political subdivision refuses to issue a refund, an aggrieved taxpayer has the right to bring suit for the recovery of such taxes.
- A party on appeal may not expand the scope of its appeal to encompass additional issues not first presented to the Board of Assessment Appeals for determination.
- 4. Where an appeal is from a denial of a tax refund and not from a tax assessment appeal, the scope of such appeal is limited to those issues raised in the verified claim for real estate tax refund only.
- 5. A motion for judgment on the pleadings is in the nature of a demurrer. Such a motion may only be granted in cases where no material facts are at issue and the law is so clear that a trial would be a fruitless exercise.
- 6. A court will not reach the issue of constitutionality if it can decide a case on other, non-constitutional grounds. While it is the duty of the courts to uphold the Constitution, it is likewise their duty not to declare an act unconstitutional unless it is imperatively necessary to do so.
- 7. Pursuant to Section 1928 of the Statutory Construction Act of 1972, provisions imposing taxes and retroactive provisions must be strictly construed.
- 8. The legislature contemplated two classes of entities entitled to prospective tax relief under 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(1): (a) property directly owned by a charter school, cyber charter school or an associated nonprofit foundation; or (b) property leased to charter school, cyber charter school or an associated nonprofit foundation at or below fair market value.
- 9. In contrast, 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(3) is more restrictive in providing retrospective tax relief. The legislature clearly references only the first class of entities in subsection 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(1) that directly own property who are entitled to tax relief, because only property owners can file an appeal from a tax assessment.
- 10. Neither the federal constitution nor the state constitution invalidates a non-penal statute merely because it is retroactive, unless such legislation impairs contractual or other vested rights.
- 11. Retrospective laws may be supported when they do not disturb any vested right, but only vary remedies, cure defects in proceedings otherwise fair, and do not vary existing obligations contrary to their situation when entered into and when prosecuted.
- 12. Pursuant to 210 Pa. Code §67.55 (Internal Operating Procedures of the Commonwealth Court §414), unreported memorandum opinions by a three-

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judge panel may be cited as persuasive authority.

- 13. The retroactive tax exemption of 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(3) violates Article I, §11 of the Pennsylvania Constitution (providing for a remedy by due course of law) because the legislation impairs a vested right. It also violates the separation of powers doctrine, which holds the legislature may not exercise any power specifically entrusted to the judiciary by interfering with judgments or decrees previously rendered.
- 14. Plaintiff charter school filed an appeal seeking a real estate tax refund of county taxes paid for years 2008, 2009 and 2010. Defendant West Chester Area School District filed a motion for judgment on the pleadings, in which defendant, Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals joined. Upon consideration of the motion, the Court <u>Held</u>, that judgment on the pleadings was granted in part to the defendants West Chester Area School District and Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals. Further, the Court <u>Held</u>, that the remaining issues were dismissed without prejudice as matters not properly before the Court.

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C.C.P. Chester County, Civil Action – Law, No. 2011-09348-AB; Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School v. Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals.

Andrew G. Lehr for the Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School

Jeffery R. Sommer for Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals Anthony T. Verwey for West Chester Area School District Tunnell, J., March 30, 2012:- Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School v. Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals

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FRIENDS OF PENNSYLVANIA LEADERSHIP CHARTER SCHOOL,

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Plaintiff,

NO. 2011-09348-AB

v.

CIVIL ACTION - LAW

CHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS.

Defendant.

Andrew G. Lehr, Esquire, for the Plaintiff

Jeffery R. Sommer, Esquire, for Defendant Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals

Anthony T. Verwey, Esquire, for Defendant West Chester Area School District

ORDER

AND NOW, this 30^{th} day of March, 2012, upon consideration of Defendant West Chester Area School District's Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings¹, joined by Defendant Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals, and opposed by Plaintiff Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School, it is hereby

ORDERED AND DECREED, that Judgment on the Pleadings is **GRANTED** in part to the Defendants West Chester Area School District and Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals; accordingly Plaintiff Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School is not entitled to a refund of the taxes collected on behalf of the County of Chester for years 2008, 2009 and 2010, and it is further:²

ORDERED AND DECREED, that the remaining issues are **DIS-MISSED** without prejudice as matters not properly before this Court.³

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Mark L. Tunnell, J.

As a threshold matter, the parties seem to misapprehend the scope of the subject matter that is properly before this Court. This is <u>not</u> an appeal of the March 28, 2011 application

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for exemption of real estate taxes, which was granted on May 5, 2011. This <u>is</u> an appeal from a separate June 16, 2011, verified claim for real estate tax refund, which was denied on July 27, 2011.

A verified refund request must be made in writing, and such a writing is a statutory condition precedent to the issuance of any refund. 72 P.S. 5566b(a). In the event that the political subdivision refuses to issue a refund, an aggrieved taxpayer has the right to bring suit for the recovery of such taxes. 72 P.S. 5566c. Contrary to the petition filed by the Plaintiff/Appellant, this matter is not before the Court pursuant to 53 Pa.C.S. §8854(a) or 42 Pa.C.S. §5571(b) but rather pursuant to 72 P.S. 5566c.

The June 16, 2011 verified claim for real estate tax refund, cited in the pleadings, requested only a refund of county real estate taxes paid on the subject property for 2008, 2009 and 2010 tax years, in the amount of \$23,928.17. The verified claim did not request a refund of school taxes paid in years 2008 and 2009 in the amount of \$75,192.51, nor a determination of the obligation to pay school taxes for the year 2010 in the amount of \$37,942.41, nor a determination of the obligation to pay county taxes assess for the year 2011 in the amount of \$8,193.99.

It appears to this Court that Plaintiff Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School expanded the scope of its appeal to encompass additional issues not first presented to the Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals for determination. Since this is an appeal from a denial of a tax refund and not from a tax assessment appeal, the scope of this appeal is limited to those issues raised in the verified claim for real estate tax refund. As such, the Court declines to rule upon issues it believes are not properly before it.

²This matter comes before the Court on a motion for judgment on the pleadings under Pa.R.Civ.P. 1034, filed by the Defendant West Chester Area School District and joined by the Defendant Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals. A motion for judgment on the pleadings is in the nature of a demurrer. Such a motion may only be granted in cases where no material facts are at issue and the law is so clear that a trial would be a fruitless exercise. *E-Z Parks, Inc. v. Philadelphia Parking Authority*, 110 Pa.Cmwlth. 629, 532 A.2d 1272 (1987), *petition for allowance of appeal denied*, 519 Pa. 656, 546 A.2d 60 (1988). No material facts are at issue and the matter is ripe for disposition.

Plaintiff pleads the following relevant facts which are accepted as true for purposes of this motion. Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School is a Pennsylvania domestic nonprofit corporation that is affiliated with the Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School, a public cyber charter school. (¶1) Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School is the owner of a tax parcel No. 53-04-0156.0000. (¶4) The property is leased to and used exclusively by the Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School. (¶4) The Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals granted the appeal for exemption on the property commencing with the 2011 school tax year. (¶8) On June 16, 2011, Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School filed a Verified Claim for Real Estate Tax Refund with the Chester County Treasurer seeking a refund of taxes paid. (¶9) On July 27, 2011,

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notice was sent to the Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School advising them that the refund request was denied. (¶10) Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School timely filed an appeal of the denial of the refund request on August 25, 2011.

The single question of law presented in the motion is the interpretation and application of the statutory language of 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e). On November 17, 2010, the General Assembly amended section 20 of the Charter School Law (Act 104), 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A, by adding among other things the following provisions:

(e)(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 204 of the act of May 22, 1933 (P.L. 853, No. 155), known as The General County Assessment Law, all school property, real and personal, owned by any charter school, cyber charter school or an associated nonprofit foundation, or owned by a nonprofit corporation or nonprofit foundation and leased to a charter school, cyber charter school or associated nonprofit foundation at or below fair market value, that is occupied and used by any charter school or cyber charter school for public school, recreation or any other purposes provided for by this act, shall be made exempt from every kind of State, county, city, borough, township or other real estate tax, including payments in lieu of taxes established through agreement with the Commonwealth or any local taxing authority, as well as from all costs or expenses for paving, curbing, sidewalks, sewers or other municipal improvements, Provided, That any charter school or cyber charter school or owner of property leased to a charter school or cyber charter school may make a municipal improvement in a street on which its school property abuts or may contribute a sum toward the cost of the improvement.

* * * *

(e)(3) This subsection shall apply retroactively to all charter schools, cyber charter schools and associated nonprofit foundations that filed an appeal from an assessment, as provided in Article V of The General County Assessment Law, prior to the effective date of this subsection.

The Defendants argue that the retroactive tax exemption provision of 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(3) is unconstitutional because it violates the separation of powers doctrine and the uniformity of taxation clause. A court will not reach the issue of constitutionality if it can decide a case on other, non-constitutional grounds. While it is the duty of the courts to uphold the Constitution, it is likewise their duty not to declare an act unconstitutional unless it is imperatively necessary to do so. *Kelley v. Earle*, 325 Pa. 337, 345 A. 140, 144 (1937).

Pursuant to Section 1928 of the Statutory Construction Act of 1972, "provisions

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imposing taxes" and "retroactive provisions" must be strictly construed. 1 Pa.C.S. §1928(b)(2)-(3); *Lehigh Valley Cooperative Farmers v. Bureau of Employment Security*, 498 Pa. 521, 525, 447 A.2d 948, 952 (1982)("A required rule of statutory construction provides that a statute exempting persons or property from taxation must be strictly construed.")

Act 104 provides for two kinds of tax relief, prospective and retrospective. Subsection (e)(1) provides prospective tax relief, and in relevant part states, "all school property, real and personal, <u>owned</u> by any charter school, cyber charter school or an associated_nonprofit foundation, <u>or owned</u> by a nonprofit corporation or nonprofit foundation and <u>leased</u> to a charter school, cyber charter school or associated nonprofit foundation at or below fair market value." 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(1). Clearly, the legislature contemplated two classes of entities entitled to tax relief in subsection (e)(1): (1) property directly owned by a charter school, cyber charter school or an associated nonprofit foundation; or (2) property leased to charter school, cyber charter school or an associated nonprofit foundation at or below fair market value.

In contrast, subsection (e)(3) is more restrictive in providing retrospective tax relief. In relevant part it states: "[t]his subsection shall apply retroactively to all charter schools, cyber charter schools and associated nonprofit foundations *that filed an appeal from an assessment.*" The legislature is clearly referencing only the first class of entities in subsection (e)(1) that directly own property who are entitled to tax relief, because only property owners can file an appeal from a tax assessment.

Regardless, the plain language of subsection (e)(1) includes the specific terms "nonprofit corporation" and "associated nonprofit foundation;" however, the plain language of subsection (e)(3) omits the specific term "nonprofit corporation." Furthermore, it is clear from the plain language of subsection (e)(1) that "nonprofit corporation" and "associated nonprofit foundation" are not terms that are used interchangeably but refer to different entities. Since the statute must be strictly construed, the inclusion of the nomenclature "nonprofit corporation" in subsection (e)(1) and its omission from subsection (e)(3) is an intentional act by the Legislature.

Based on the foregoing, Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School, which is conceded to be a nonprofit corporation, does not qualify for the retroactive provision of 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(3); therefore, it is not entitled to a refund of County of Chester taxes paid for tax years 2008, 2009 and 2010. Accordingly, judgment on the pleadings is granted.

Were the Court to reach the constitutional question of 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(3), it would have found it unconstitutional.

Neither the federal constitution nor the state constitution invalidate a non-penal statute merely because it is retroactive, unless such legislation impairs contractual or other vested rights. *Barasch v. Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission*, 516 Pa. 142, 167, 532 A.2d 325, 337, aff'd., 488 U.S. 299, 109 S.Ct. 609, 102 L.Ed.2d 646 (1989). Retrospective laws may be supported when they do not disturb any vested right, but only vary remedies, cure defects in proceedings otherwise fair, and do not vary existing obligations contrary to their situation when entered into and when prosecuted. *Smith v. Fenner*, 399 Pa. 633, 161

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A.2d 150 (1960).

Pursuant to 210 Pa. Code §67.55 (Internal Operating Procedures of the Commonwealth Court §414), unreported memorandum opinions by a three-judge panel may be cited as persuasive authority. This Court finds that the question of constitutionality is identical to that in *In Re: Appeal of Collegium Charter School*, 23 A.3d 1132 (Table) (Pa.Cmwlth., July 26, 2011, No. 2354 CD 2010), and the legal analysis contained therein persuasive. The Commonwealth Court reasoned that the retroactive tax exemption of 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(3) violated Article I, §11 of the Pennsylvania Constitution (providing for a remedy by due course of law) because the legislation impaired a vested right. It also violates the separation of powers doctrine, which holds the legislature may not exercise any power specifically entrusted to the judiciary by interfering with judgments or decrees previously rendered. *Commonwealth v. Sutley*, 474 Pa. 256, 378 A.2d 780 (1977).

In prior litigation, *In Re: Appeal of Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School*, Chester County Docket No.: 2007-12078, the Appellant argued that this same parcel of land was exempt from taxation because the Appellant qualified as a purely public charity and therefore was exempt from local real estate taxes. After conducting a bench trial, this Court (J. Shenkin) found that the Appellant did not qualify as a purely public charity and therefore was not exempt from local real estate taxes (Order dated March 29, 2009). This Court's opinion was affirmed in an unpublished three-judge panel opinion issued by the Commonwealth Court. *In Re: Appeal of Friends of Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School v. County of Chester Board of Assessment Appeals*, 987 A.2d 231 (Table) (Pa.Cmwlth., January 7, 2010, 808 CD 2009).

Accordingly, the statutory language of 24 P.S. § 17-1722-A(e)(3) is therefore unconstitutional because it impairs a vested right and interferes with a judgment obtained through litigation.

³The remaining issues raised on appeal are dismissed without prejudice because they were not first presented to the Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals for determination. Since this is an appeal from a denial of a tax refund and not from a tax assessment appeal, the scope of this appeal is limited to those issues raised in the verified claim for real estate tax refund. As such, the Court declines to rule upon issues it believes are not properly before it.

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The application has been (or will be) filed on: March 26, 2012.

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The Articles were filed on March 21, 2012 and are effective upon filing.

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All persons having claims or demands against the Estate or Trust of the said decedent are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to: Edward G. Schmid, II, Executor, c/o Wayne C. Buckwalter, Esq., Cohen Seglias Pallas Greenhall & Furman, PC, 30 South 17th Street, 19th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

2nd Publication

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CHESTER COUNTY, PA CIVIL ACTION/LAW – ACTION TO QUIET TITLE NO. 2011-02677-RC

RALPH J. VALENTEEN, SR. AND TINA M. VALENTEEN, Plaintiffs

PUBLIC FINANCIAL SERVICES, Defendant

TO: PUBLIC FINANCIAL SERVICES, Defendant

DATE: MAY 17, 2012

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that a Motion for Continuance has been filed on May 1, 2012, requesting that the trial scheduled from April 30, 2012, through May 11, 2012, before the Honorable William P. Mahon, be continued to a date to be set by the Court.

NOTICE is also hereby given that a Motion for Judgment in Action to Quiet Title Pursuant to Pa. R.C.P. 1066 was filed April 30, 2012, requesting an Order be entered to quiet title in this action, declaring that the Mortgage held by Defendant on property known as 1093 Lane Avenue, Phoenixville, Chester County, Pennsylvania, be satisfied of record and directing the Recorder of Deeds of Chester County, Pennsylvania mark the said Mortgage recorded on November 17, 1986, in Record Book 521, Page 279&c., "Satisfied of Record"; and further, that Defendant has no right, title or interest in the Property.

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NOTICE OF ACTION IN MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL ACTION - LAW

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR RAMP 2003RPI. Vs.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

CIVIL DIVISION

CHESTER COUNTY

NO. 11-12880

UNKNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, AND ALL PERSONS, FIRMS, OR ASSOCIATIONS CLAIMING RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST FROM OR UNDER EDGAR K. ROSS, IV, DECEASED et al.

NOTICE

TO UNKNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, AND ALL PERSONS, FIRMS, OR ASSOCIATIONS CLAIMING RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST FROM OR UNDER EDGAR K. ROSS, IV, DECEASED:

You are hereby notified that on 11/28/2011, Plaintiff, THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR RAMP 2003RPI., filed a Mortgage Foreclosure Complaint endorsed with a Notice to Defend, against you in the Court of Common Pleas of CHESTER County Pennsylvania, docketed to No. 11-12880. Wherein Plaintiff seeks to foreclose on the mortgage secured on your property located at 15 NORTH STREET, POMEROY, PA 19367 whereupon your property would be sold by the Sheriff of CHESTER County.

You are hereby notified to plead to the above referenced Complaint on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a Judgment will be entered against you.

NOTICE

If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by the plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

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3rd Publication

DOWNINGTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that a hearing shall be conducted on the Petition of the Board of School Directors of the Downingtown Area School District to Sell Unnecessary Lands and Buildings by Private Sale ("the Petition") on Monday, June 11, 2012, in Courtroom # 2 of the Chester County Justice Center, 201 W. Market Street, West Chester, PA at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of the hearing is to address Downingtown Area School District's ("the School District") Petition for approval to sell by private sale, under the terms set forth below and contained in the Petition, the School District's former warehouse located at 126 Wallace Avenue, Downingtown Borough, Chester County, Pennsylvania, also known as tax parcel numbers 11-4-2.1B and 11-4-2.1C, deed reference Book 4690 page 1732 ("the Property").

The Property contains 1.04 +/- acres and is improved with a two story administrative office building of approximately 17,379 square feet ("the Building). The Building is improved with an asphalt paved parking area, concrete curbing, and concrete sidewalks. The Building is primarily office space (with some warehouse space), restrooms, offices, a break-room, reception area, and meeting rooms. The Property is located in the Borough of Downingtown, Chester County, Pennsylvania and is located within the C-3 Zoning District.

The Property is being sold pursuant to an Agreement of Sale to Brandywine Grace Church ("the Purchaser") with an address of 1104 Winchester Trail, Downingtown, PA 19335. The Purchaser has offered \$1.350 Million for the Property and has offered to pay all real estate transfer tax. The School District has agreed to pay a broker's fee in the amount of 3% of the purchase price. The School District seeks Court approval at the hearing on the date and time set forth above to the sell the Property to Purchaser by private sale pursuant to the Pennsylvania School Code of 1949, 24 P.S. §7-707(3) under these terms and conditions and as further set forth in the Agreement of Sale.

At the hearing, the School District shall offer evidence in support of its Petition. The hearing shall be open to the public. Any interested persons may appear and participate at the hearing and may offer evidence in support of or in opposition to the School District's Petition. The Petition and the Agreement of Sale may be reviewed upon request during regular business hours at the Administrative Offices of the School District, 540 Trestle Place Downingtown, PA 19335, c/o Richard A. Fazio, (610) 269-8460. For more information, please contact:

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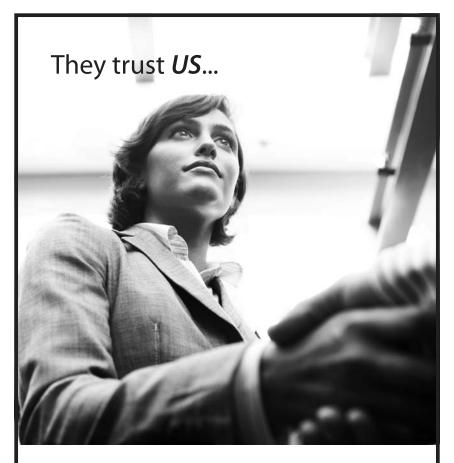




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