

Allegheny County Tax Appeals Deadline Still Unchanged Despite COVID-19

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Despite the COVID-19 emergency, Allegheny County is still holding to its March 31, 2020 deadline to file tax assessment appeals. Therefore, if you have been considering an assessment appeal, you must file now. Owners cannot rely on the possibility of an extension.

As mentioned in previous posts by our firm, in Allegheny County, assessments are subject to the “common level ratio.” For 2020 the ratio in Allegheny County is 86.2%. That means that if you have a property that has a fair market value of \$100,000, for assessment purposes, the property should be taxed at \$86,200.

As a result, even if a property has remained the same in value or has undergone marginal increases over the past few years — or there is good reason to believe that the COVID-19 emergency has affected the value of your property, particularly business property — taxpayers still may be eligible to achieve an assessment reduction.

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