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In the Matter of

Wayne and Debra Root  
APN: 190-07-114-004  
Clark County, Nevada  
PETITIONER

Michele Shafe  
Clark County Assessor  
RESPONDENT

Appeal of the Decision of the  
CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Case No. 13-336

**NOTICE OF DECISION**

***Appearances***

No one appeared on behalf of Wayne and Debra Root (Taxpayer).

David King appeared on behalf of the Clark County Assessor's Office (Assessor).

***Summary***

The matter of the Taxpayer's petition for review of property valuations for the 2013-14 Secured Roll within Clark County, Nevada, came before the State Board of Equalization (State Board) for hearing in Henderson, Nevada, on June 4, 2013 after due notice to the Taxpayer and the Assessor.

The State Board, having considered all evidence, documents and testimony pertaining to the valuation of the property in accordance with NRS 361.227, hereby makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1) The State Board is an administrative body created pursuant to NRS 361.375.
- 2) The State Board is mandated to hear all appeals of property tax assessments pursuant to NRS 361.360 and NRS 361.400.
- 3) The Taxpayer and the Assessor were given adequate, proper and legal notice of the time and place of the hearing before the State Board, and the matter was properly noticed pursuant to the Open

Meeting Law at NRS 241.020. The Department provided evidence to show the Taxpayer received notice of the hearing. See *Tr.*, 6-4-13, p. 18, ll. 7-10; *Record*, SBE page 34.

- 4) The subject property is a two-story single-family residence containing 6,893 square feet, built in 2003, and located on Bloomfield Hills Drive in the guard-gated community of Anthem Country Club, Henderson, Clark County, Nevada. See *Record*, SBE pages 23; 26-28; and *Tr.*, 6-4-13, p. 18, ll. 14-18.
- 5) The Clark County Board of Equalization (County Board) ordered that the total taxable value for the subject property of \$1,285,240 be upheld for the 2013-2014 secured roll. See *Record*, SBE pages 9 and 32; *Tr.* 6-4-13, p. 18, ll. 19-20.
- 6) After considering the Taxpayer's information, the State Board found the Taxpayer did not present sufficient evidence to support values different from that established by the County Board. See *Tr.*, 6-4-13, p. 19, ll. 2-17.
- 7) The State Board affirmed the decision of the County Board. See *Tr.*, 6-4-13, p. 20, l. 3 through p. 21, l. 6.
- 8) Any finding of fact above construed to constitute a conclusion of law is adopted as such to the same extent as if originally so denominated.


### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1) The Taxpayer timely filed a notice of appeal, and the State Board accepted jurisdiction to determine this matter. *NRS 361.360*.
- 2) The Taxpayer and the Assessor are subject to the jurisdiction of the State Board.
- 3) The Taxpayer failed to appear at the hearing. Pursuant to *NAC 361.708*, the State Board proceeded with the hearing.
- 4) The State Board has the authority to determine the taxable values in the State. *NRS 361.395*.
- 5) The Taxpayer has the burden of overcoming the presumption that the Assessor's valuation is correct. *Pittsburg Silver Peak Gold Mining Co. v. Tax Commission*, 49 Nev. 46, 54-55 (1925).
- 6) The assessed value as previously determined by the County Board is 35% of taxable value as required by *NRS 361.225*.
- 7) Any conclusion of law above construed to constitute a finding of fact is adopted as such to the same extent as if originally so denominated.

### DECISION

The Petition of the Taxpayer is denied based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. The Clark County Comptroller is instructed to certify the assessment roll of the county consistent with this decision.

BY THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION THIS 1 DAY OF AUGUST, 2013.

  
Christopher G. Nielsen, Secretary  
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