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Treasurer Warns of Company Promising to Help Lower Property Taxes

Columbus, (OH) -Franklin County Treasurer Ed Leonard would like to remind homeowners that the Board of Revision application process is user friendly, and not to fall prey into paying unnecessarily for companies such as ValueAppeal to apply for them. “In the past, there have been companies who have solicited homeowners to file the paperwork for them. That is simply a waste of money,” States Treasurer Leonard.

The Franklin County Board of Revision hears formal complaints on property valuations. Filing a complaint allows property owners to present their case before the Board of Revision, which is comprised of representatives from the offices of the County Auditor, Treasurer, and County Commissioners.

Franklin County Residents have until April 1, 2013 to file their property tax appraisal appeals with the Franklin County Board of Revision. Applications can be found at www.franklincountyauditor.com. “The application process is very easy for taxpayers to file on their own without having to pay for assistance and the Auditor’s staff can answer most questions that do arise,” said Treasurer Leonard.

In the event a property owner is successful in reducing their property value, a refund of any overpayment of taxes collected based on the higher value will be refunded or credited to their upcoming tax bill.

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