



NYS BOARD OF REAL PROPERTY SERVICES
COMPLAINT ON REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT FOR 20 09

BEFORE THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW FOR Town of Cuba
(city, town village or county)

PART ONE: GENERAL INFORMATION (General information and instructions for completing this form are contained in form RP-524-Ins)

1. Name and telephone no. of owner(s) Richard Close
2. Mailing address of owner(s) Richard Close

Day No. ()
Evening No. ()
E-mail address (optional)

137 Valley Road
Mt Gretna, PA 17064

3. Name, address and telephone no. of representative of owner, if representative is filing application
(If applicable, complete Part Four on page 4.)

4. Location of property
Street address 370 Cuba Village (if any)
City/Town Cuba County Allegany
School District Cuba Rushford

5. Property identification (see tax bill or assessment roll)
Tax map number or section/block/lot 144.22-1-370

Type of property: [X] Residence [] Farm [] Vacant Land
[] Commercial [] Industrial [] Other

Description:

6. Assessed value appearing on the roll Land \$ 0 Total \$ 157,000

7. Property owner's estimate of market value of property as of valuation date (see instructions) \$ 71,136

PART TWO: INFORMATION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE VALUE OF PROPERTY (If additional explanation or documentation is necessary, please attach)

Information to support the value of property claimed in Part One, item 7 (complete one or more):

1. Purchase price of property: \$ _____
 - a. Date of purchase: _____
 - b. Terms: Cash Contract Other (explain) _____
 - c. Relationship between seller and purchaser (parent-child, in-laws, siblings, etc.): _____
 - d. Personal property, if any, included in purchase price (furniture, livestock, etc.; attach list and sales tax receipt): _____

2. Property has been recently offered for sale (attach copy of listing agreement, if any):
 When and for how long: _____
 How offered: _____ Asking price: \$ _____

3. Property has been recently appraised (attach copy): When: _____ By Whom: _____
 Purpose of appraisal: _____ Appraised value: \$ _____

4. Description of any buildings or improvements located on the property, including year of construction and present condition: _____

5. Buildings have been recently remodeled, constructed or additional improvements made:
 Cost: \$ _____
 Date Started: _____ Date Completed: _____
 Complainant should submit construction cost details where available.

6. Property is income producing (e.g., leased or rented), commercial or industrial property and the complainant is prepared to present detailed information about the property including rental income, operating expenses, sales volume and income statements.

7. Additional supporting documentation (check if attached).

PART THREE: GROUNDS FOR COMPLAINT

A. UNEQUAL ASSESSMENT (Complete items 1-4)

1. The assessment is unequal for the following reason: (check a or b)
 - a. The assessed value is at a higher percentage of value than the assessed value of other real property on the assessment roll.
 - b. The assessed value of real property improved by a one, two or three family residence is at a higher percentage of full (market) value than the assessed value of other residential property on the assessment roll or at a higher percentage of full (market) value than the assessed value of all real property on the assessment roll.
2. The complainant believes this property should be assessed at _____% of full value based on one or more of the following (check one or more):
 - a. The latest State equalization rate for the city, town or village in which the property is located is _____%.
 - b. The latest residential assessment ratio established for the city, town or village in which the residential property is located. Enter latest residential assessment ratio only if property is improved by a one, two or three family residence _____%.
 - c. Statement of the assessor or other local official that property has been assessed at _____%.
 - d. Other (explain on attached sheet).
3. Value of property from Part one #7 \$ _____
4. Complainant believes the assessment should be reduced to \$ _____

B. EXCESSIVE ASSESSMENT (Check one or more)

The assessment is excessive for the following reason(s):

1. The assessed value exceeds the full value of the property.
 - a. Assessed value of property \$ 157,000
 - b. Complainant believes that assessment should be reduced to full value of (Part one #7)..... \$ 71,136
 - c. Attach list of parcels upon which complainant relies for objection, if applicable.
2. The taxable assessed value is excessive because of the denial of all or portion of a partial exemption.
 - a. Specify exemption (e.g., senior citizens, veterans, school tax relief [STAR]) _____
 - b. Amount of exemption claimed \$ _____
 - c. Amount granted, if any:..... \$ _____
 - d. If application for exemption was filed, attach copy of application to this complaint.
3. Improper calculation of transition assessment. (Applicable only in approved assessing unit which has adopted transition assessments.)
 - a. Transition assessment \$ _____
 - b. Transition assessment claimed \$ _____

C. UNLAWFUL ASSESSMENT (Check one or more)

The assessment is unlawful for the following reason(s):

1. Property is wholly exempt. (Specify exemption (e.g., nonprofit organization)) _____
2. Property is entirely outside the boundaries of the city, town, village, school district or special district in which it is designated as being located.
3. Property has been assessed and entered on the assessment roll by a person or body without the authority to make the entry.
4. Property cannot be identified from description or tax map number on the assessment roll.
5. Property is special franchise property, the assessment of which exceeds the final assessment thereof as determined by the State Board of Real Property Services. (Attach copy of State Board certificate.)

D. MISCLASSIFICATION (Check one)

The property is misclassified for the following reason (relevant only in approved assessing unit which establish homestead and non-homestead tax rates):

- Class designation on the assessment roll: _____
1. Complainant believes class designation should be _____
2. The assessed value is improperly allocated between homestead and non-homestead real property.

<u>Allocation of assessed value on assessment roll</u>	<u>Claimed allocation</u>
Homestead \$ _____	_____
Non-homestead..... \$ _____	_____

PART FOUR: DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TO MAKE COMPLAINT

I, _____, as complainant (or officer thereof) hereby designate _____ to act as my representative in any and all proceedings before the board of assessment review of the city/town/village/county of _____ for purposes of reviewing the assessment of my real property as it appears on the _____ (year) tentative assessment roll of such assessing unit.

Date

Signature of owner (or officer thereof)

PART FIVE: CERTIFICATION

I certify that all statements made on this application are true and correct to be best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that the making of any willful false statement of material fact herein will subject me to the provisions of the Penal Law relevant to the making and filing of false instruments.

Date

Signature of owner (or representative)

PART SIX: STIPULATION

The complainant (or complainant's representative) and assessor (or assessor designated by a majority of the board of assessors) whose signatures appear below stipulate that the following assessed value is to be applied to the above described property on the _____ (year) assessment roll: Land \$ _____ Total \$ _____

(Check box if stipulation approves exemption indicated in Part Three, section B.2. or C.1.)

Complainant or representative

Assessor

Date

SPACE BELOW FOR USE OF BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Disposition

- Unequal assessment
- Unlawful assessment
- Ratification of stipulated assessment
- Excessive assessment
- Misclassification
- No change in assessment

Reason: _____

Vote on Complaint

- All concur
- All concur except: _____
Name
- against abstain absent
- _____ Name against abstain absent

Decision by

Board of Assessment Review

	<u>Tentative assessment</u>	<u>Claimed assessment</u>	<u>Board of Assessment Review</u>
Total assessment	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Transition assessment (if any)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Exempt amount	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Taxable assessment	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Class designation and allocation of assessed value (if any):

Homestead	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Non-homestead	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Date notification mailed to complainant _____

Tax Map ID: 144.22-1-370
 SWIS: 024889
 Property Address: 370 Cuba
 Neighborhood Code: 50
 Owner: Close, Richard

	2008	2009	Estimated
Land:	0	0	0
Building:	65,775	157,000	71,136
Total:	65,775	157,000	71,136
FMV:	84,350	157,000	71,136

Estimated Land Value	Primary	Secdry	Resid	Pasture	Tillable	Wood	Waste	Waterfnt	WetInd	Leased	Undev	Total
Assessor Acres:										0.00		0.00
Probable Acres:		0.00						0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Estimated Land Value:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Primary Buildings					
Seq	Property Class	Building Style		Square Feet	
1	210 Single Family	08	Old Style	1,096	
Total Square Feet:				1,096	
Estimated Building Value @ \$53/SF:				58,088	



Property Improvements										
Seq	Type & Description		Quality		Grade		Year	Square Feet	Rate	Estimated
1	CP6	Canopy with Slab	3	Normal	C	Average	1940	288	1.50	432
2	CP6	Canopy with Slab	3	Normal	C	Average	1940	100	1.50	150
3	RG4	1.0 Story Detached Garage	3	Normal	C	Average	1940	528	10.00	5,280
4	AP7	Wall Break Stone	3	Normal	C	Average	1940	588	5.00	2,940
5	AP7	Wall Break Stone	3	Normal	C	Average	1940	140	5.00	700
6	BS1	Boat Shelter	3	Normal	D	Economy	1940	72	3.00	216
7	DK1	Stake Dock	3	Normal	C	Average	1940	102	15.00	1,530
8	BH1	1st Story Boat House	3	Normal	C	Average	1940	180	10.00	1,800
Estimated Improvements Value:									13,048	

The assessment of the structure is invalid because it does not take into consideration the valuation of this property's residential structure and/or property improvements when compared to similar residential structures and/or property improvements of like or near square footage throughout the town of Cuba.

Portville Land Rate Tables used instead of Cuba Land Rate Tables if this property is on deeded land. The Cuba Land Rate Tables do not align to the NYS ORPS RAR or NYS Ag & Markets data. The Portville Land Rate Tables are the ones that were approved by ORPS in 2007 and still in place today. Given that Portville is adjacent to Cuba, Cuba should be using the same land rate tables for its land assessment. These tables do not apply to NYS Leased Land where no assessment can be made on the land.

Town of Portville			
<i>Neighborhood Code: 74080 - Village of Portville</i>			
<i>Land Type: 01 - Primary</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Upper Size Value
0.25	28,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
0.50	6,000.00	1,500.00	8,500.00
0.75	4,000.00	1,000.00	9,500.00
1.00	2,000.00	500.00	10,000.00
5.00	9,000.00	36,000.00	46,000.00
<i>Land Type: 02 - Secondary</i>			
Upper Size	Per Site Rate	Incremental Value	Upper Size Value
Per Site	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
<i>Land Type: 03 - Undeveloped</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Upper Size Value
5.00	3,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
10.00	1,500.00	7,500.00	22,500.00
50.00	1,000.00	40,000.00	62,500.00
<i>Land Type: 04 - Residual</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Upper Size Value
5.00	2,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
10.00	1,800.00	9,000.00	21,500.00
50.00	800.00	32,000.00	53,500.00
<i>Land Type: 05 - Tillable (Soil Type P)</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	450.00	450.00	450.00
<i>Land Type: 06 - Pasture (Soil Type P)</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	450.00	450.00	450.00
<i>Land Type: 07 - Woodland (Soil Type P)</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	400.00	400.00	400.00
<i>Land Type: 08 - Wasteland</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	200.00	200.00	200.00
<i>Land Type: 12 - Rear</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	200.00	200.00	200.00

Town of Portville			
<i>Neighborhood Code: 74050 - Outside of Village of Portville</i>			
<i>Land Type: 01 - Primary</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Upper Size Value
0.25	28,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
0.50	6,000.00	1,500.00	8,500.00
0.75	4,000.00	1,000.00	9,500.00
1.00	2,000.00	500.00	10,000.00
25.00	1,800.00	43,200.00	53,200.00
<i>Land Type: 02 - Secondary</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Upper Size Value
0.25	28,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
0.50	6,000.00	1,500.00	8,500.00
0.75	4,000.00	1,000.00	9,500.00
1.00	2,000.00	500.00	10,000.00
25.00	1,800.00	43,200.00	53,200.00
<i>Land Type: 04 - Residual</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Upper Size Value
1.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
5.00	900.00	3,600.00	4,800.00
50.00	400.00	18,000.00	22,800.00
500.00	350.00	157,500.00	180,300.00
<i>Land Type: 05 - Tillable (Soil Type P)</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	450.00	450.00	450.00
<i>Land Type: 06 - Pasture (Soil Type P)</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	450.00	450.00	450.00
<i>Land Type: 07 - Woodland (Soil Type P)</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	400.00	400.00	400.00
<i>Land Type: 08 - Wasteland</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	250.00	250.00	250.00
<i>Land Type: 10 - Waterfront</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
0.25	6,800.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
0.50	1,000.00	250.00	1,950.00
1.00	500.00	250.00	2,200.00
5.00	100.00	400.00	2,600.00
<i>Land Type: 12 - Rear</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	200.00	200.00	200.00
<i>Land Type: 14 - Wetland</i>			
Upper Size	Per Acre Rate	Incremental Value	Per Acre Value
Per Acre	150.00	150.00	150.00

Instructions:

1. Print off a copy of your RP-524 package.
2. If you are on NYS Leased Land, you will not need to include the land rate table page with your package.
3. Go to cuba-newyork.com, select the green marble icon labeled "Square Footage Comparison". Find the 5 properties before yours and 5 properties after yours. Print those 1 or 2 pages, draw a red rectangle around the 11 properties, highlight your property with a yellow marker. Attach as the last page of the package.
4. Make 3 copies of your package.
5. Sign and date Section Five "Certification" on page 4 of each copy.
6. By May 15th, mail one signed copy via USPS with "Delivery Confirmation" to:

**Board of Assessment Review
Town of Cuba
PO Box 41
5 Bull Street
Cuba, NY 14727**

7. By May 15th, mail one signed copy via USPS to:

**Assessor
Town of Cuba
PO Box 41
5 Bull Street
Cuba, NY 14727**

8. Keep one signed copy for your records with the Delivery Confirmation Receipt attached.
9. Don't sweat the small stuff if you see an error. If it does change the value by at least \$2,000, it won't have that big a hit on your taxes. This is especially true of improvements because the value you see there is computed by cuba-newyork.com. The assessors don't know what the value really is (or at least that's what they say). But if you see a major error, please send a message via the "Contact Us" at cuba-newyork.com. We will try and fix it for you as quickly as possible so you can do your filing.