

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS

Board Established by: State

Description:

On February 15, 2006, the Board of Commissioners amended the Code of Laws to revise the terms of office for the members of the Fulton County Board of Tax Assessors. This board was established for the purpose of filling the duties and functions of tax assessors with respect to the assessment and fixing of value of all property located within the boundaries of Fulton County for all state, county, city, school and other tax purposes, including the giving of notices of assessments as provided by law and performing any and all other duties, as necessary and appropriate, relating to the assessment of taxable property, as well as the appeals with respect to such assessments and the equalization of assessments, all in the manner prescribed under Georgia law.

This Board was established by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 45-5-290, effective January 1, 1994.

On June 21, 2006, item #06-0686 the Board of Commissioners amended section 170-62(b) of the Fulton County Code of Laws regarding the Fulton County Board of Tax Assessors.

Membership/Appointment:

The Fulton County Board of Tax Assessors shall be a five-member board, whose members shall be appointed by the full Board of Commissioners of Fulton County upon nomination by any member of the board of commissioners. Of the five members, at least one shall be a resident of the City of Atlanta, at least one shall be a resident of that portion of Fulton County that lies north of the municipal limits of the City of Atlanta, and at least one shall be a resident of that portion of Fulton County that lies south of the municipal limits of the City of Atlanta. Each such member of the board of tax assessors shall meet all eligibility and other professional and other statutory requirements and qualifications provided under Georgia law and shall, upon appointment, take an oath and shall be otherwise appointed as provided by Georgia law.

(b) In addition to state requirements, each member shall, at the time of appointment, have at least the following qualifications: 1) at least one (1) year of experience in appraisal-related work which is defined as follows: (a) the appraisal of real estate of personal property for any purpose for either a governmental or a private agency; (b) employment in any capacity by county or municipal government involving tax appraisals, assessments, or collections in the office of tax assessor, tax collector, or tax receiver; and (c) employment by private industry involved in the preparation or filing of local government tax returns by regulations of the Georgia Department of Revenue, or either prior to appointment or within 180 days of appointment 40 hours of approved appraisal courses; and 2) at least five (5) years of experience in a position of employment involving the supervision or management of three (3) or more subordinate employees. Further, each prospective member must provide, at the time of nomination, a sworn affidavit that he/she has paid all property taxes and Board of Commissioners, a sworn affidavit that he/she has paid all property taxes and state and federal income taxes then due and owing. Any person who has had a tax lien issued against him/her (or against property that he/she owns) shall be ineligible to serve as a member of the Board of Tax Assessors. No member of the Board of Tax Assessors shall participate in the consideration of or vote upon any matter coming before the Board of Tax Assessors in which such member has for remuneration expressed a professional opinion as to the value or use of the property concern.

Members of the Board of Tax Assessors, beginning on the date of appointment by the Board of Commissioners). The initial appointees shall serve the following initial terms, which terms (and all subsequent terms) shall expire on June 30 of the last year of the term prescribed under this subparagraph and subparagraph (d) below: Posts 1 and 4: Three years (expiring June 30, 2009); Posts 2 and 5: Four years (expiring June 30, 2010); Post 3: Five years (expiring June 30, 2011). (d) At the expiration of the initial terms prescribed above, the subsequent terms of office of all members of the Board of Tax Assessors shall be four years. Members of the Board of Tax Assessors may be reappointed to successive terms. € Any person

appointed to replace a member who for any reason ceases to be a member of the Board of Tax Assessors prior to the end of his or her term shall be appointed to serve the unexpired portion of such term, and such person shall be eligible for appointment to further terms."

Upon appointment the order providing for appointment shall be regularly entered upon the record of the Superior Court of Fulton County along with a certificate of appointment from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Fulton County reciting the order and stating that the member has taken the oath required by law. The certificate of appointment shall constitute the commission of a member of the Board of Tax Assessors. Further, upon the appointment of a person to the Board of Tax Assessors, a certified copy of the minutes, along with a notification letter regarding the Fulton County appointment, shall be sent to: Georgia Secretary of State, 214 State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia 30334 (404-656-2881).

Term:

Terms expire June 30th of the last year of the term prescribed. At the expiration of the initial terms prescribed, the subsequent terms of office of all members of the Board of Tax Assessors shall be four years.

Compensation: YES **Stipend:** \$18000/yearly

Meetings: Two Thursdays each mont at 12:30 p.m.

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MEMBER		APPOINTMENT		TERM ENDING
1	Ms. Salma Ahmed (North Fulton)	Post 3 Bob Ellis	Commissioner	6/30/2019
2	Ms. Eugenia G Barnett (Atlanta)	Post 4 Emma I. Darnell	Commissioner	6/30/2017
3	Mr. Dillon H. Fries (North Fulton)	Post 1 Chairman Liz Hausmann	Vice-	6/30/2017
4	Ms. Brandi Alexis Hunter (South Fulton)	Post 2 John H. Eaves	Chairman	6/30/2018
5	Mr. Frank Lewandowski (North Fulton)	Post 5 Tom Lowe	Commissioner	6/30/2018