

JEFFERSON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
P. O. Box 21337 Located at: 4610 S. Fourth Street
Beaumont TX 77720-1337 Beaumont TX 77705
(409) 840-9944 or 727-4611

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Cause No.: _____
Filing Date: _____
Control No.: _____ Form _____ of _____

NOTICE OF PROTEST FOR TAX YEAR 2009

THE BELOW INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED:

Account # _____

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

If you want the Appraisal Review Board (ARB) to hear and decide your case, you must file this form with the ARB by **June 1, 2009** or the date indicated on your Notice of Appraised Value for Property Taxes, whichever is later. Check the reason(s) for the protest:

- ____ Value is over market value
____ Property should not be taxed in this appraisal district
____ Exemption denied, modified, or canceled
____ Productivity value of agriculture-use land is excessive
____ Ag-use, open space, timber, or other special valuation denied modified, or canceled
____ Value is unequal compared with other properties
____ Other _____

Daytime Phone #: _____ Taxpayer's opinion of value \$ _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PLEASE DO NOT ATTACH ANY DOCUMENTS TO THIS FORM. BRING ANY DOCUMENTS OR EVIDENCE WITH YOU AT THE TIME OF YOUR PROTEST HEARING.

I want the ARB to send me a copy of its hearing procedures. (If your protest goes to a hearing, you will automatically receive a copy of the ARB's hearing procedures.) _____ YES _____ NO

EXCEPTIONS TO FILING DEADLINE: THE DEADLINE FOR FILING YOUR NOTICE COULD BE DIFFERENT AS FOLLOWS: (*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.*)

1. Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause. Late protests are due the day before the ARB approves the appraisal records for the year, which is generally July 20th. Contact the Appraisal District for more information about late protests.
2. If you are losing your agricultural special appraisal because you changed the use of your land, the deadline is the 30th day after the notice of determination was mailed to you.
3. If the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability, and the change did not result from a protest you filed, the deadline is the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.
4. If you believe the Appraisal District or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before the taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

Scheduling Policies: The ARB's normal hours are from **8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and they are expected to meet from mid-May to early August each year.** Please indicate in the space provided below if there are certain dates and/or times you would not be available to meet with the ARB. For good cause, you may request an evening (6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.) meeting. Please state your explanation of good cause in the space provided below. The ARB will decide if you have good cause for a special meeting request. If you request an evening meeting, the ARB will require that you sign an affirmation stating that it would be a hardship for you to attend a protest hearing during the ARB's normal business hours due to your inability to leave your job during these hours.

Please **do NOT** schedule me during the following times: _____

I need an evening meeting for the following reason: _____

If you are in excess of 15 minutes late and without just cause, or if you do not appear for the hearing, the Board will consider your protest canceled and a new hearing will not be scheduled.