

**In Re: City of Claremont Reassessment Inquiry**

**Docket No.: 18398-00RA**

**ORDER**

Prompted by newspaper reports, the board directs its review appraiser, Mr. Stephan Hamilton, to gather facts about the City of Claremont's ("City") assessment practices and submit a report to the board on his findings, copying the City. This initial investigation is a preliminary step in determining if there exists a basis for the board to order a full or partial reassessment as provided in RSA 71-B:16, II and III.

**71-B:16 Order for Reassessment.** The board may order a reassessment of taxes previously assessed or a new assessment to be used in the current year or in a subsequent tax year of any taxable property in the state:

II. When it comes to the attention of the board from any source, except as provided in paragraph I, that a particular parcel of real estate or item of personal property has not been assessed, or that it has been fraudulently, improperly, unequally, or illegally assessed; or

III. When in the judgment of the board, determined in accordance with RSA 71-B:16-a, any or all of the property in a taxing district should be reassessed or newly assessed ... .

After submission of Mr. Hamilton's report, the board will schedule a hearing for City officials and the public to provide testimony and evidence as to any need for a reassessment.

**SO ORDERED.**

BOARD OF TAX AND LAND APPEALS

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Paul B. Franklin, Chairman

Concurred, unavailable for signature  
Michele E. LeBrun, Member

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Douglas S. Ricard, Member

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Albert F. Shamash, Esq., Member

**Certification**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing order has been sent this date, postage prepaid, to: Chairman, Claremont Board of Assessors; and Guy Petell, Director Property Appraisal Division, Department of Revenue Administration

Date: November 15, 2000

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Lynn M. Wheeler, Clerk