

TAX CRUSHERS

Property Tax Grievance Application: Dutchess Deadline May 28, 2024

1- Eligibility: 1. A person named in the records of the Dutchess County Clerk as a homeowner; or 2. That persons authorized agent; or 3. A person who has contracted to buy a home; or 4. The estate of a deceased homeowner, is eligible under law to receive a tax assessment reduction and a property tax refund. If you are not in any of these categories you will not be able to receive a property tax refund and you should not sign this agreement. If you are in one of these categories you may sign this agreement.

2-Service to be performed: Note that you are not required by law to use a tax reduction service in order to file for and/or receive a tax assessment reduction. By signing this agreement, however, you are directing Tax Crushers (not affiliated with any municipality) to prepare and file your First Level Complaint for review by the Board of Assessment Review, and to represent you at any Appeal proceeding which includes the preparation and filing of the Appeal Petition and to physically appear on your behalf at your Appeal Hearing with the Court appointed hearing Officer and the Assessor's representative.

3-Fee for Service: I have engaged Tax Crushers 222 Purchase Street, Suite 170, Rye NY 10580 as sole and exclusive agent, to obtain a reduction of the assessed value of my property. I agree to pay them a **DISCOUNTED FEE equal to 55%** of the reduction prior to exemptions for my 2024/2025 property taxes. The discounted fee will apply if I pay within 30 days of the postmark on the envelope that contained the invoice and a copy of the official decision, reporting the reduction of my property's assessed value. I agree to pay such fee in the event I sell or move out of the subject property. If the assessment is reduced the actual tax savings = the reduced assessment multiplied by the tax rate prior to exemptions. The full undiscounted fee of 75% of the 2024/2025 property tax reduction will be due if full payment is not made or a written agreement from the Tax Crushers for a payment schedule is not obtained within 30 days of postmark. If filing a SCAR appeal becomes necessary I agree to pay the courts \$30 court filing fee. I agree to pay a \$75 appraisal fee (upon winning grievance only.) This fee will be waived if I supply a certified appraisal dated no more than 1 year prior to grievance day. In the case of a duplicate filing, I agree to pay Tax Crushers a \$250 fee for their services. If I default on said payment, I agree to pay a \$50 late fee plus 1.5% interest per month after 30 days. If collection process is needed, an additional fee of 20% will apply on any outstanding balance along with reasonable attorney fees. I agree that Tax Crushers may bring suit against me in the courts located in Westchester County. Westchester County courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction of any dispute / action relating to this agreement; and any service of any post judgment notice or demand upon me by mail at the address listed on this agreement shall be sufficient service and notice thereof. At anytime, within three (3) days after entering into this contract, I have the complete right to cancel this agreement by written notice to Tax Crushers.

I hereby designate Tax Crushers, as my sole agent to act as my representative in any all proceedings before the board of assessment review and or the small claims assessment Review of the city/town/village/county of Dutchess for purposes of reviewing the assessment of my real property as it is for 2024/2025 year tentative assessment roll of such assessing unit.

Signature of Owner

Date

Printed Name:

Parcel ID: _____

Property Address

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Email