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2013 Property Tax Assessment Notices Mailed in August

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Final Appeal Deadlines are Approaching Soon

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The Florida County Property Appraiser Offices have mailed out the 2013 Property Tax Assessment Notices, commonly known as TRIM Notices. TRIM Notices present the 2013 property assessments and are mailed for both real and for personal property. It is critical to review TRIM Notices upon receipt as the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) appeal period is only 25 days from the date of mailing. Any appeal filed with the VAB after the appeal period deadline will be returned. Only under the most extreme circumstances may the VAB allow a late filing, and only after a hearing on the issue. If you are unsure of the validity of an assessment appeal, filing a timely appeal protects your rights while the value is being analyzed, and there is no penalty for withdrawal.

Akerman handles property assessment appeals at both the VAB and circuit court level. Assessment appeals involve complex valuation issues in which our attorneys are trained. With a team including an attorney that holds the MAI designation from the Appraisal Institute, Akerman regularly handles appeals throughout the state of Florida. Final appeal deadline dates for selected Florida counties are detailed below.

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• Collier: September 10

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• Hillsborough: September 10

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• Manatee: September 13

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• Orange: September 18

• Osceola: September 10

• Palm Beach: September 16

• Pinellas: September 13

• Sarasota: September 13

• Seminole: September 13

• St. Lucie: September 16

• Volusia: September 10

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