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Will Meyer is a tax certiorari lawyer focusing on real property taxation reduction and abatement. Will represents developers, owners, and tenants of commercial and residential properties and helps them to strategically reduce their property tax burden in New York State.

Will regularly negotiates and litigates property tax reductions across New York State including Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester and Rockland Counties and municipalities throughout Western New York and the Hudson Valley. He also represents property owners before the New York City Tax Commission and in Eminent Domain Proceedings before the Court of Claims. These cases customarily include aspects of real estate, leasing, environmental and title law. Will has successfully challenged property taxes on a wide variety of properties including residential condominiums and cooperatives, multi-family, retail & office properties, warehouse & industrial properties, specialized properties like golf clubs & marinas and even high-end residential cases.

With three decades of experience in New York's real estate industry, Will is a recognized speaker who delivers numerous seminars on property tax reduction strategies. Will also regularly advises developers and investors on property tax projections along with incentive programs that can provide long-term property tax savings for his clients.

Experience

- Represented a significant defense contractor with tax reduction proceedings on its 605-acre industrial campus until its sale in 1996.
- Represented numerous golf clubs in significant cases against Nassau County after the 2003 revaluation.

PRACTICE AREAS

Real Property Tax Certiorari & Condemnation
Real Estate

EDUCATION

Tulane University Law School, J.D.
Connecticut College

AFFILIATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

New York State Bar Association, Member, Tax Certiorari & Condemnation Committee
Nassau County Bar Association, Member, Tax Certiorari & Condemnation Committee
Suffolk County Bar Association, Member, Tax Certiorari & Condemnation Committee
Institute for Professionals in Taxation (IPT), Member
International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC), Member

ADMISSIONS

Bar Admissions

New York

Court Admissions

United States Supreme Court
United States District Court, Eastern District of New York
United States District Court, Southern District of New York

- Represented the owner of one of the largest luxury residences on Long Island in two separate settlements (2007 & 2023) that resulted in tax refunds of over \$6M.
 - Represented the owner of a large vacant residential tract in a settlement resulting in a tax refund of \$3M.
 - Represented a LGBTQ church pro bono in proceedings to obtain a religious exemption for its property.
 - Represented a large estate in obtaining a partial agricultural exemption for its vacant areas and horse boarding operation.
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Community Work

- Community Foundation of Oyster Bay, Board of Directors
 - The WaterFront Center, Board of Directors, Former Director
 - Queens Botanical Gardens, Former Director
 - Oyster Bay Sailing Foundation, Director
 - Incorporated Village of Upper Brookville, Board of Ethics, Chairman
 - Cord Meyer Development Co., Executive Committee and Director
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Recognition

- Who's Who in Real Property & Tax Certiorari Law," Long Island Business News