

!!!!!!Notice!!!!!!

!!!!Property Owners designating an Agent for Property Tax Matters!!!!

This is a public service announcement to all property owners of Montgomery County Texas.

Every year the Montgomery Central Appraisal District hears complaints from property owners that “I did not get my appraisal notice” or “I did not hire an agent for this year.” However, upon reviewing our records, we find that the “Appointment of Agent Form” they filled out several years ago did not include an expiration date.

The Texas Property Tax Code allows for property owners to designate an agent for property tax matters. This designation allows a tax agent, depending on the authorities given, to receive all communications from the appraisal district (i.e. appraisal notices) and allows an agent to handle all appeals to the appraisal review board.

Section 1.111(c) of the Texas Property Tax Code States:

- (c) The designation of an agent under this section remains in effect until revoked in a written revocation filed with the appraisal district by the property owner or designated agent.

The form provided by The Texas Comptroller’s Office, and any form used to designate a property tax agent, must contain an area to state when the designation ends.

Below you will find a copy of the Comptroller’s Form 50-162 and a blow-up of the area showing where the property owner can state the “Date Agents Authority Ends”.

This announcement is to help property owners be aware, so they can make informed decisions.

Appointment of Agent for Property Tax Matters

This form is for use by a property owner in designating a lessee or other person to act as the owner's agent in property tax matters. You should read all applicable law and rules carefully, including Tax Code Section 1.111 and Comptroller Rule 9.3044. This designation will not take effect until filed with the appropriate appraisal district. Once effective, this designation will be in effect until the earlier of (1) the date of a written revocation filed with the appraisal district by the owner or the owner's designated agent, or (2) the expiration date, if any, designated below.

In some cases, you may want to contact your appraisal district or other local taxing units for free information and/or forms concerning your case before designating an agent.

Appraisal District Name	Date Received (appraisal district use only)

STEP 1: Owner's Name and Address:

Name	Telephone Number (include area code)
Address	
City, State, Zip Code	

STEP 2: Identify the Property for Which Authority is Granted. Identify all property for which you are granting the agent authority and, unless granting authority for all property listed for you, provide at least one of the property identifiers listed below (appraisal district account number, physical or situs address, or legal description). A chief appraiser may, if necessary to identify the property, request additional information. In lieu of listing property below, you may attach a list of all property to which this appointment applies, denoting the total number of additional pages attached in the lower right-hand corner below.

(check one)

- all property listed for me at the above address
 the property(ies) listed below:

Appraisal District Account Number	Physical or Situs Address of Property
Legal Description	
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If you have additional property for which authority is granted, attach additional sheets providing the appraisal district account number, physical or situs address, or legal description for each property. Identify here the number of additional sheets attached:

STEP 3: Identify the Agent:

Name Telephone Number (include area code) Address City, State, Zip Code

STEP 4: Specify the Agent's Authority

The agent identified above is authorized to represent me in (check one):

- all property tax matters concerning the property identified
the following specific property tax matters:

The agent identified above is authorized to receive confidential information pursuant to Tax Code Sections 11.48(b)(2), 22.27(b)(2), 23.123(c)(2), 23.126(c)(2) and 23.45(b)(2):

Yes No

I hereby direct, as indicated below, the appraisal district, appraisal review board, and each taxing unit participating in the appraisal district to deliver the documents checked below to the agent identified above regarding the property identified. I acknowledge that such documents will be delivered only to the agent at the agent's address indicated above and will not be delivered to me unless the affected offices choose to send me copies or are otherwise required by law. I understand that these documents can affect my legal rights and that the appraisal district, appraisal review board and the taxing units are not required to send me copies if I direct them to deliver the documents to my agent.

- all communications from the chief appraiser
all communications from the appraisal review board
all communications from all taxing units participating in the appraisal district

STEP 5: Date the Agent's Authority Ends. Pursuant to Tax Code Section 1.111(c), this designation remains in effect until the date indicated or until a written revocation is filed with the appraisal district by the property owner or the owner's designated agent. A designation may be made to expire according to its own terms but is still subject to prior revocation by the property owner or designated agent. Pursuant to Tax Code Section 1.111(d), a property owner may not designate more than one agent to represent the property owner in connection with an item of property. The designation of an agent in connection with an item of property revokes any previous designation of an agent in connection with that item of property. By designating an agent on this form, previous designations of other agents in connection with the items of property shown on the form are revoked.

Date Agent's Authority Ends

STEP 6: Identification, Signature, and Date:

Signature of Property Owner, Property Manager or Other Person Authorized to Act on Behalf of the Property Owner Date Title

The individual signing this form is (check one):

- the property owner
property manager authorized to designate agents for the owner
other person authorized to act on behalf of the owner other than the person being designated as agent

This form must be signed by the property owner, a property manager authorized to designate agents for the owner or other person authorized to act on behalf of the owner other than the person being designated as agent. If you are a person other than the property owner, the appraisal district may request a copy of the document(s) authorizing you to designate agents or act on behalf of the property owner.

If you make a false statement on this form, you could be found guilty of a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony under Penal Code Section 37.10.

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