



Recent Federal Tax Cases of Charitable Donations of Preservation and Façade Easements

| Case Reference | Summary of Issue(s) | Date of Final Opinion | Date of Donation |
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| <u>Bruzewicz v. US, 604 F Supp. 2d 1197 (N.D. Ill. 2009)</u> | Lack of donation's contemporaneous written acknowledgement; deficient appraiser qualifications, evaluation of easement | 2009 | 2002 |
| <u>Herman v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2009-205</u> | Donation of 'air rights' isn't a qualified conservation contribution; easement doesn't protect historic structure | 2009 | 2003 |
| <u>Evans v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2010-207</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; deficient appraisal | 2010 | 2004 |
| <u>Schrimsher v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2011-71</u> | Lack of donation's contemporaneous written acknowledgement; deficient appraisal; Incomplete Tax Form 8283 | 2011 | 2004 |
| <u>1982 East LLC v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2011-84</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; valuation of easement; deficient mortgage subordination agreement | 2011 | 2004 |
| <u>Comm'r v. Simmons, 646 F.3d 6 (D.C. Cir. 2011) (Simmons II), aff'g Simmons v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2009-208 (Simmons I)</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; deficient appraisal (courts affirmed appraisals were qualified and stewardship contribution is deductible); lack of perpetual protection | 2011 | 2003, 2004 |
| <u>Herman v. Comm'r, T.C. Bench Op (Sept. 22, 2011)</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; incomplete Tax Form 8283 | 2011 | 2003 |
| <u>Dunlap v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2012-126</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; deficient appraisal; profitable entanglement of involved parties | 2012 | 2003 |
| <u>Wall v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2012-169</u> | Deficient mortgage subordination agreement | 2012 | 2003 |
| <u>Rothman v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2012---218 (Rothman II), vacating in part Rothman v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2012---163 (Rothman I)</u> | Deficient appraisal; Incomplete Tax Form 8283 | 2012 | 2004 |
| <u>Foster v. Comm'r, T.C. Summ. Op. 2012-90</u> | Deficient appraisal | 2012 | 2003 |
| <u>Graev v. Comm'r, 140 T.C. No. 17</u> | Conditional charitable donation | 2013 | 2004 |

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| <u>Friedberg v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2013---224 (Friedberg II)</u> , reversing in part and supplementing <u>Friedberg v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2011---238 (Friedberg I)</u> | Incomplete Tax Form 8283; conservation purposes questioned; deficient appraisal | 2013 | 2003 |
| <u>Gorra v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2013-254</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; deficient appraisal | 2013 | 2006 |
| <u>61 York Acquisition, LLC v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2013-266</u> | Easement doesn't protect entire historic structure | 2013 | 2006 |
| <u>Kaufman v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2014---52 (Kaufman IV)</u> , on remand from, <u>Kaufman v. Shulman, 687 F.3d. 21 (1st Cir. 2012) (Kaufman III)</u> , vacating and remanding in part <u>Kaufman v. Comm'r, 136 T.C. No. 13 (2011) (Kaufman II)</u> and <u>Kaufman v. Comm'r, 134 T.C. No. 9 (2010) (Kaufman I)</u> | Lack of perpetual protection; mortgage subordination; profitable entanglement of involved parties | 2014 | 2003 |
| <u>Chandler v. Comm'r, 142 T.C. No. 16</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; deficient appraisal | 2014 | 2004, 2005 |
| <u>Whitehouse Hotel, LP v. Comm'r, 755 F.3d 236 (5th Cir. 2014) (Whitehouse IV)</u> , aff'g in part and vacating in part <u>Whitehouse Hotel, LP v. Comm'r, 139 T.C. No. 13 (2012) (Whitehouse III)</u> , on remand from <u>Whitehouse Hotel, LP v. Comm'r, 615 F.3d 321 (5th Cir. 2010) (Whitehouse II)</u> , vacating and remanding <u>Whitehouse Hotel, LP v. Comm'r, 131 T.C. 112 (2008) (Whitehouse I)</u> | Deficient appraisal; gross valuation misstatement | 2014 | 1997 |
| <u>Scheidelman v. Comm'r, 755 F.3d 148 (2d Cir. 2014) (Scheidelman IV)</u> , aff'g <u>Scheidelman v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2013---18 (Scheidelman III)</u> , on remand from <u>Scheidelman v. Comm'r, 682 F.3d 189 (2d Cir. 2012) (Scheidelman II)</u> , vacating and remanding <u>Scheidelman v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2010-151 (Scheidelman I)</u> | Incomplete Tax Form 8283; Deficient appraisal (2nd Circuit reversed Tax Court decisions and held appraisal was a qualified appraisal and stewardship contribution is deductible); Property subject to local preservation ordinance | 2014 | 2004 |
| <u>Seventeen Seventy Sherman Street v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2014-124</u> | Conditional charitable donation; Property subject to local preservation ordinance | 2014 | 2003 |
| <u>Zarlengo v. Comm'r, T.C. Memo. 2014-161</u> | Property subject to local preservation ordinance; Untimely appraisal; deficient appraisal; Untimely deed recordation affects perpetuity of easement; | 2014 | 2005 |

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