

REPRESENTATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS

real estate

WHD successfully represented a property owner in a dispute regarding the enforcement of recorded real estate deed restrictions, defeating a motion for a temporary restraining order and then prevailing on a motion for summary judgment (having the deed restrictions declared void and unenforceable). WHD then prevailed on a motion for reconsideration, and persuaded the appellate court to uphold the decision. For more information, contact Timothy H. Posnanski at 414-978-5791 or tposnanski@whdlaw.com.



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taxation

In a joint effort, WHD's Litigation and State & Local Taxation practices obtained a unanimous decision from the Wisconsin Court of Appeals (affirming a trial court verdict) awarding its client a property tax refund of approximately \$530,000 for the 2004 and 2005 tax years. The Court of Appeals held that the City of Milwaukee improperly singled out WHD's client, an oil distribution company, by using a different assessment methodology to assess its oil terminals, resulting in a property tax assessment at a significantly higher rate than the city used for comparable properties. The trial court and the Court of Appeals ruled that the city's conduct violated the Uniformity Clause of the Wisconsin Constitution and restored the client's assessment to the former lower level, resulting in a significant refund. For more information, contact Joseph A. Pickart at 414-978-5541 or jpickart@whdlaw.com, or Ross A. Anderson at 414-978-5412 or randerson@whdlaw.com.



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