APPLICATION FOR ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES
(Title 36 M.R.S.A., Section 841)

This application must be signed and filed with the municipal assessor(s). A separate application should be filed for each separately assessed parcel of real estate claimed to be overvalued.

1. Name of Applicant:_____________________________________________________

2. Mailing Address:_______________________________________________________

3. Property Address or Map/Lot:___________________________________________

4. Telephone number for applicant ________________________________

5. Tax year for which abatement is requested:______________________________

6. Assessed valuation of real estate:_______________________________________

7. Assessed valuation of personal property:_______________________________

8. Abatement requested in real estate valuation:____________________________

9. Abatement requested in personal property valuation:_____________________

10. Reasons for requesting abatement (please be specific, stating grounds for belief that
    property is overvalued for tax purposes):________________________________

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To the assessing authority of the Municipality of ________________________

In accordance with the provisions of Title 36 M.R.S.A., Section 841, I hereby make written application for abatement of property taxes as noted above. The above statements are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

_________________________________  ________________________________
Date                                     Signature of Applicant
IN GENERAL: This application must be filed with the Board of Assessors within 185 days from the date of commitment of the tax to which objection is made.

A separate application should be filed for each separately assessed parcel of real estate.

Application should be filed in duplicate.

A taxpayer, to be entitled to request abatement or to appeal from the decision of the local assessors, must have filed a list of his taxable property with the assessors, if properly so notified, in accordance with M.R.S.A., Title 36, Sec. 706.

If such list has not been filed upon proper notice, such list must be filed with this application, together with a statement as to why the list could not be filed at the proper time.

Written notice of their decision will be given by the assessors to the taxpayer within 10 days after the assessors take final action on the application. If such written notice is not given within 60 days from the date the application is filed, the application should be considered as having been denied, and the applicant may appeal as provided by Statute. The applicant may, in writing, consent to further delay.

Question 1: Print full name.

Question 2: Print full address to which mail should be sent.

Question 3: Taxes are assessed as of April 1. The tax assessed as of April 1 of any year and billed thereafter is for the tax for that year.

Question 4: Show the actual assessed valuation of the particular parcel of real estate covered by this application, as to which abatement is requested. If abatement of real estate valuation is not requested, do not fill in this item.

Question 5: Show the actual assessed valuation of personal property as to which abatement is requested. If abatement of personal property valuation is not requested, do not fill in this item.

Question 6: Show amount by which you believe valuation should be reduced. For example, if valuation (shown in Question 4) is $3,000, and you believe it should be $2,500, the entry in this item should be $500.

Question 7: See above, under Question 6.

Question 8: Identify the property which you believe to be overvalued. State reasons for your claim, as, for example, sales prices of this or comparable properties. Please be specific, and bear in mind that the valuation should be in accord with the actual worth of the property and in line with the valuation of other property of like worth.

The abatement requested is allowed in the amount of $ ______ valuation.

The abatement requested is denied. You have 60 days from the date this notice is received to appeal this decision to _________. You are further notified of certain payment requirements pursuant (fill in the name of the appellate board or agency) to M.R.S.A., Title 36, Sec. 843(4) or Sec. 844(4) in order to enter an appeal from this decision, if your property has a valuation of more than $500,000.

Date ____________________________

Assessors, Municipality of