

Holy Cow! The Valuation of Wrigley Field and Other Special Purpose Sports Facilities

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As the Director of Legal for the Cook County Assessor, Christina focuses the scope of her work on complex commercial valuation issues, property tax incentives, including affordable housing, exempt and omitted properties and FOIA matters. She also serves as its Ethics Officer. Immediately prior to joining the Cook County Assessor's Office in 2018, Christina served as Ethics Manager and Staff Attorney to Cook County Clerk David Orr in the Elections Department, with oversight over ethics filings for lobbyists and units of local government, vote by mail and electoral board operations.

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Attorney Will Shepherd is the president of William D. Shepherd, P.A. where he practices property tax and real estate valuation litigation. Will has represented county assessors in all aspects of property tax law for more than 30 years. He was general counsel for the Hillsborough County Property Appraiser for 26 years during which he represented the office in all matters including litigation over real estate and tangible personal property assessments and tax exemption and agricultural classification disputes at the administrative, circuit court and appellate court levels. He is a graduate of the University of South Florida and the University of Illinois Chicago (John Marshall) Law School. He was on the IAAO committees that published the Big Box and Fee Simple white papers and the IAAO Glossary and is currently the Co-Chair of the IAAO's Legal Committee. He is the recipient of the Florida Chapter IAAO Member of the Year and Lifetime Achievement awards and is a regular speaker on property tax and real estate valuations matters.

Mildred Terzic

Mildred Terzic is the Director of Special Properties for the Cook County Assessor's Office and is responsible for the assessment of complex income-producing properties from hotels to mixed-use developments. She has over 30 years of experience in commercial real estate and is an instructor for both Northwestern University and DePaul University.