

File No. 19617.

Baltimore, February 5th, 1916

Dr. John Wesley Jones,
President, Dormitory Bible Class,
Y. M. C. A. City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 3rd instant received.

Under the law, when persons are assessed with property of any kind, the assessment remains on the tax books until it is taken off by the Appeal Tax Court. The assessment does not drop off the tax book when a taxpayer disposes of his property. Under the law he must go and notify the Appeal Tax Court that he has disposed of his property, and ask the Appeal Tax Court to strike it off the books, and if the Court does not do so, he can appeal to the Court and have it stricken off. Any taxpayer who will not take the trouble to go down to the Appeal Tax Court and get them to take the assessment off on his furniture, when he dispose of the furniture, continues to be subject to taxes on the assessment until he does go down to the court, and have the assessment taken off or abated. Evidently you did not go down to the Appeal Tax Court and get them to abate the assessment, which remained on the books, and the collector has no choice but to collect the taxes thereon. If you have no furniture, you can go now to the Appeal Tax Court and ask them to strike off the assessment and they will remedy the matter.

Mr. Weeks, my clerk, has already told the lawyer representing you that he would make some adjustment of the taxes for past years. Mr. Weeks attends to all of these tax matters and will treat you properly in the matter.

I am returning herewith the summons which you enclosed with your letter.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) Henry W. Weeks,
Clerk, City Solicitor