

Click below for the City of Los Angeles Claim Form:

https://clerk.lacity.gov/clerk-services/cps/file-claim

FILE THIS CLAIM FORM WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER PAYING THE TAX (We recommend doing so immediately after paying the tax.)

While the City prefers online submissions, you may also call 213-978-1133 or email
<u>clerk.cps@lacity.org</u> to obtain a paper form. Once completed and signed, paper forms can be mailed to: Los Angeles City Clerk Claims Department,
200 North Spring Street, Room 395, City Hall, Los Angeles, California 90012

Suggested Answers to Specific Claim Form Questions:

Q: "How did DAMAGE or INJURY occur? Please include as much detail as possible."

A: On _____, when I closed escrow as the seller of _____, Los Angeles, CA _____, I was charged \$_____.as a special transfer tax by the City of Los Angeles per Measure ULA which ostensibly passed at the November 2022 election.

Q: When did DAMAGE or INJURY occur?

A: [same date as above, or, if you paid the tax on a later date, that date]

Q: Where did DAMAGE or INJURY occur?

A: [sold property address.]

- **Q:** What particular ACT or OMISSION do you claim caused the injury or damage? Please give names of City employees causing the injury or damage ...
- A: The Measure ULA special transfer tax is unconstitutional under California Constitution, Article XIII A, section 4, and Los Angeles City Charter section 450. The act of charging this tax therefore caused financial damage in the form of unconstitutional taxation.

Cases challenging Measure ULA are pending in Los Angeles Superior Court (Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association & Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles v. City of Los Angeles, No. 22STCV39662 and Newcastle Courtyards et. al. v. City of Los Angeles et. al., No. 23STCV00352). Another case, Newcastle Courtyards et. al. v. City of Los Angeles et. al. is also pending in the United States District Court, Central District of California, No. 2:23-cv-00104-JAK-AS. The outcome of these cases will determine this claim.

City employee names are unnecessary because the damage is unconstitutional taxation.

Q: What DAMAGE or INJURIES do you claim resulted? Please give full extent of injuries or damages claimed.

A: The amount of the unconstitutional tax I paid, \$_____, plus interest.

You may leave "Witnesses, Doctors and Hospitals" blank as well as the question regarding insurance. You do not need to upload any pictures.

Be sure to sign and submit your form and make sure you receive a confirmation containing your claim number. Keep a copy for your records. If you would like, please email a copy of the confirmation to <u>info@hjta.org</u>.

If a denial or any other decision on your claim is mailed or emailed to you, please forward it to info@hjta.org and contact an attorney immediately.