In the Matter of the Petition

of

CARROLL Y. & MARGARET G. BELKNAP

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income:
Taxes under Article(s) 22 of the
Tax Law for the (Year(s) 1962 and 1963

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING OF NOTICE OF DECISION BY (CERTIFIED) MAIL

State of New York County of Albany

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MARGARET G. BELKNAP (representative of) the petitioner in the within
proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid
wrapper addressed as follows: Carroll Y. & Margaret G. Belknap
25 Club Road
Riverside, Connecticut

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office Department within the State of New York.

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> EDWARD ROOK SECRETARY TO COMMISSION

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

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NORMAN F. GALLMAN, PRESIDENT
A. BRUCE MANLEY
MILTON KOERNER

STATE CAMPUS
ALBANY, N. Y. 12227
AREA CODE 518

457-2655, 6, 7

DATED: Albany, New York

January 24, 1972

Carroll Y. & Margaret G. Belkhap 25 Club Road Riverside, Connecticut

Dear Sir and Madam:

Please take notice of the **DECISION** the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

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Please take further notice that pursuant to section(s)

690 of the Tax Law any proceeding
in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced
within 4 months after the date of this notice.

Any inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relating hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. These will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours,

Migel G. Wright Hearing Officer

cc Petitioner's Representative
Law Bureau

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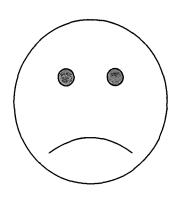
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CORRECTION FOLLOWS



NOTE: THE FOLLOWING

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- 5. The notice of deficiency dated April 30, 1965, allocates for 1962 231 days to New York out of 242 working days and for 1963 no allocation is allowed. Said notice did not allow him any credit for days allegedly worked in Connecticut.
- 6. Mr. Carroll Y. Belknap resides in Riverside, Connecticut, two miles outside of Greenwich, Connecticut.
- 7. Mr. Belknap is employed by C. H. Stuart & Co., Inc., located in the village of Newark, Wayne County, New York, near Rochester and 400 miles from Greenwich, Connecticut. Stuart is a holding company controlling twelve other corporations in the merchandising of various products.
- 8. Mr. Belknap since 1940 has had his own firm of market research consultants. He has had nationally-known clients, one of which, since 1944, was C. H. Stuart. In 1945, Mr. Belknap moved his office from New York City to Greenwich, Connecticut where space was more available. He maintained a Greenwich office during the years in question.
- 9. On December 18, 1953, Mr. Belknap entered into a contract for his exclusive services with C. H. Stuart. On September 1, 1958, this agreement was modified to make Mr. Belknap an employee of Stuart and to provide that he serve on its executive committee. Mr. Belknap's agreement with Stuart was undertaken in contemplation of the retirement of Mr. Belknap from his own active business. The agreements provided that Mr. Belknap should have no other clients except as approved by Stuart.
- 10. The terms of Mr. Belknap's agreement with Stuart provided that Mr. Belknap was to use his own name, thus holding himself out as an independent contractor. There were valid business reasons for this arrangement.
- 11. Stuart paid for the traveling expenses and living expenses of Mr. Belknap when he was required to be in Newark, New York.

- 12. Stuart reimbursed Mr. Belknap for his payroll, the rent on the Greenwich office, and his other operating expenses.
- 13. Mr. Belknap has no permanently assigned office in Newark but used any office space that would happen to be temporarily vacant while he was there. He has no facilities for research in Newark. He went there primarily for meetings. By his contract with Stuart not more than one-half of his working time would be spent in Newark, New York.
- 14. Prior to 1962 and 1963 Mr. Belknap's Connecticut office consisted of an entire floor at 1 East Putnam Road, Greenwich, Connecticut. At times he had up to 30 employees. An economy program by Stuart caused a reduction in Mr. Belknap's staff and office space. During 1962 and 1963 Mr. Belknap's office consisted of only one room in Connecticut staffed by one man and one secretary. However, some of his business files were kept at his house, and it was contemplated by Stuart that Mr. Belknap would use his own house for Stuart's business. Mr. Belknap took no deductions on his Federal return for the space used in his house.
- 15. By contract with Stuart, Belknap agreed to maintain in Greenwich a staff of at least one assistant and one secretary and to allow Stuart to decide the maximum size of the staff. Before the years in question, all salaries became payable directly by Stuart.
- 16. During the years in question Mr. Belknap received no compensation from any other source than Stuart and its affiliated companies, all of which was reported on his return. Payments from Stuart for reimbursement of expenses were reported on his return. Mr. Belknap received \$15,000.00 a year extra income from Stuart during the years in question by reason of his terminating the first contract with Stuart and entering into the supplementary contract.
 - 17. Mr. Belknap could and did work on weekends and holidays

at the Greenwich office and at home. Taxpayer produced diaries which substantiated his claims as to days worked as represented in his returns.

Upon the foregoing findings and all the evidence in the case,
The State Tax Commission hereby

DECIDES:

- A. The taxpayer has clearly shown that his contract of employment contemplated that his services were to be performed at his office and at his home in Connecticut and that he was therefore necessarily obligated to perform such services there.
- B. The taxpayer has shown that the nature of his work was such that he could set his own working hours to include weekends and holidays and that he, in fact, did so.
- C. The taxpayers' petition for redetermination of the deficiency is granted and the determination of deficiencies is cancelled in full.

DATED: Albany, New York

January 24, 1975,

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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