In the Matter of the Petition

of

JONATHAN FINN

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

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income and Unincorporated Business Taxes under Article(s) 22 & 23 of the Tax Law for the (Year(s) 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965)

State of New York County of Albany

Rae Zimmerman being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 4th day of April , 19 72, she served the within Notice of Decision (or Determination) by (certified) mail upon Jonathan Finn

proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Jonathan Finn

44 Gramercy Park North New York, New York 10010

(representative of) the petitioner in the within

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.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative of) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of the) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

4th day of April , 1972.

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S. Howard Apfel, C.P.A.

501 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. 10017

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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

DATED:

Albany, New York

Jonathan Finn 44 Gramercy Park Morth New York, New York 10010

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 and 722 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/you

Hearing Officer

cc Petitioner's Representative
Law Bureau

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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DECISION

for Redetermination of Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income and Unincorporated Business Taxes under Articles 22 and 23 of the Tax Law for the Years 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965.

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Petitioner, Jonathan Finn, has filed petitions for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of personal income and unincorporated business taxes under Articles 22 and 23 of the Tax Law for the years 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965. (File Nos. 1-8289296 and 46757264). A formal hearing was scheduled before Paul B. Coburn, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, 80 Centre Street, New York, New York for October 21, 1971, at 10:45 A.M. After Notice of Formal Hearing, petitioner's representative, in writing, waived a formal hearing and requested that the State Tax Commission decide the case on the entire record contained in the file. The State Tax Commission renders the following decision after due consideration of said record.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did petitioner, Jonathan Finn's, business activities on behalf of Jack Borgenicht, Inc. and Ruder & Finn, Inc. during the years 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965 constitute the carrying on of an unincorporated business?

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner, Jonathan Finn, filed New York State income tax resident returns for the years 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965. He did not file New York State unincorporated business tax returns for said years.
- 2. On November 27, 1967, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes against petitioner, Jonathan Finn, imposing unincorporated business tax upon his business income for the years 1963, 1964 and 1965 and accordingly issued a Notice of Deficiency in the sum of \$483.87.
- 3. On December 15, 1967, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes against petitioner, Jonathan Finn, imposing unincorporated business tax upon his adjusted business profits for the year 1961. It also imposed additional personal income tax based upon the disallowance of certain deductions by the Internal Revenue Service. The disallowance of said deductions was conceded by petitioner. In accordance with the aforesaid Statement of Audit Changes, it issued a Notice of Deficiency in the sum of \$797.26.
- 4. Petitioner, Jonathan Finn, has failed to submit any documentary or other substantial evidence to prove that the income received by him during the years 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965 from Jack Borgenicht, Inc. and Ruder & Finn, Inc. did not constitute income from his regular business of selling products for them. He has failed to submit any proof as to the degree to which his activities were subject to the direction and control of the firms that he represented.

- 5. Petitioner, Jonathan Finn, listed his occupation as "salesman" on his 1961 federal income tax return and on his 1963, 1964 and 1965 New York State income tax returns.
- 6. Ruder & Finn, Inc. deducted Federal and New York State income taxes and social security tax from the compensation paid to petitioner, Jonathan Finn, during the years 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965. This compensation represented approximately one half of his gross receipts for said years.
- 7. Petitioner, Jonathan Finn, filed a Schedule "C" as part of his 1961 federal income tax return wherein he deducted expenses incurred in connection with his business activities.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That the income received by petitioner, Jonathan Finn, from Jack Borgenicht, Inc. and Ruder & Finn, Inc. during the years 1961, 1963, 1964 and 1965 constituted income from a regular business conducted by him and not compensation as an employee exempt from the imposition of the unincorporated business tax in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703(b) of the Tax Law.
- B. That the aforesaid activities of petitioner, Jonathan Finn, constituted the carrying on of an unincorporated business and his income derived therefrom was subject to the unincorporated business tax in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703 of the Tax Law.
- C. That the petitions of Jonathan Finn are denied and the notices of deficiency issued November 27, 1967 and December 15, 1967, are sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York

april 4, 1972

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