In the Matter of the Petition

of

ALAN H. BAUER

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

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income: Taxes under Article(%) 22 of the Tax Law for the Year(%) 1967:

State of New York County of Albany

JANET MACK

, being duly sworn, deposes and says that

(representative of) the petitioner in the within

post mark

proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid

wrapper addressed as follows:

Solomon P. Glushak, Esq.

275 Madison Avenue

New York, New York 10016

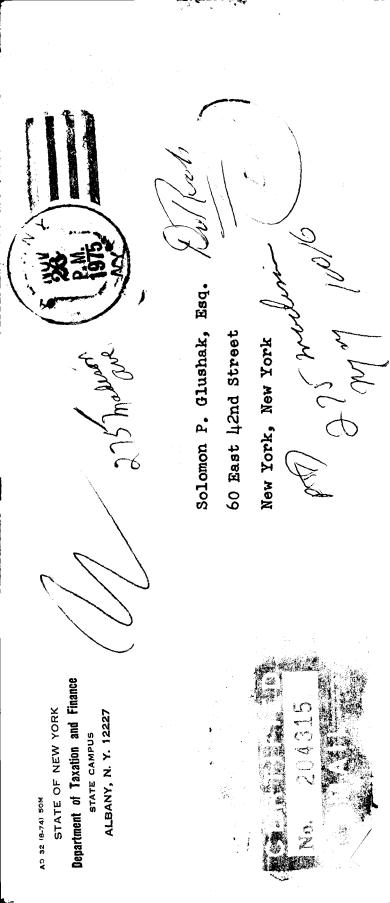
and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office Department within the State of New York.

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

8th day of December

1975



In the Matter of the Petition

of

ALAN H. BAUER

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

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income
Taxes under Article (X) 22 of the
Tax Law for the Year (X) 1967.

State of New York County of Albany

(TEXTESTED STATES OF THE PETITIONER IN the within

Janet mack

proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. Alan H. Bauer
59 West 71st Street
New York, New York 10023

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.

Sworn to before me this

26th day of November

1975

In the Matter of the Petition

of

ALAN H. BAUER

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

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income Taxes under Article(%) 22 of the Tax Law for the Year (%)1967.

State of New York County of Albany

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.

and mach

Sworn to before me this

26th day of November

1975



DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

STATE TAX COMMISSION HEARING UNIT

PAUL GREENBERG SECRETARY TO

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

Mr. Wright

Mr. Coburn

Mr. Leisner (518) 457-3336

COMMISSION

STATE TAX COMMISSION JAMES H. TULLY, JR., PRESIDENT MILTON KOERNER

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

BUILDING 9, ROOM 107

AREA CODE 518

Albany, New York

Movember 26. 1975

Mr. Alan H. Bauer 59 West 71st Street New York. New York 10023

Dear Mr. Bauer:

Please take notice of the DESTATON of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(X) 690 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within & menths from 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 relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. These will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Enc.

HEARING OFFICER

Petitioner's Representative

Law Bureau

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition

of

ALAN H. BAUER : DECISION

for Redetermination of Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Year 1967.

Petitioner, Alan H. Bauer, has filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of personal income tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the year 1967. (File No. 13-2585388.) A formal hearing was held before Paul B. Coburn, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, 2 World Trade Center, New York, New York, on March 21, 1974, at 10:45 A.M. Petitioner appeared by Solomon P. Glushak, Esq. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Saul Heckelman, Esq., (Francis X. Boylan, Esq., of Counsel).

ISSUE

Is petitioner, Alan H. Bauer, liable for unpaid withholding taxes due from Bauer & Conway, Inc. for the year 1967?

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Bauer & Conway, Inc. failed to pay over to the Income Tax Bureau, New York State personal income taxes withheld from its employees for the months of September, October, November and December, 1967 in the total sum of \$957.70. The corporation is presently defunct.
- 2. On April 14, 1971, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Deficiency against petitioner, Alan H. Bauer, imposing a penalty equal to the amount of New York State withholding taxes

due from Bauer & Conway, Inc. for the year 1967, upon the grounds that he was a person required to collect, truthfully account for and pay over said taxes and that he willfully failed to do so. In accordance with the aforesaid Statement of Deficiency, it issued a Notice of Deficiency against him in the sum of \$957.70.

- 3. Bauer & Conway, Inc. was incorporated in April, 1967 by petitioner, Alan H. Bauer, and Arthur Conway. The purpose of the corporation was to conduct an advertising business. Each of said individuals owned 50% of the stock of the corporation. They were directors of the corporation. Arthur Conway was the president and treasurer of the corporation. Petitioner, Alan H. Bauer, was the vice-president and secretary of the corporation. The corporation never held any stockholders' or directors' meetings after its inception.
- 4. From April, 1967 until March, 1968, Arthur Conway managed the financial and production aspects of the corporation's business. He purchased services, paid bills, signed checks and signed tax returns. His former accountant acted as accountant for the corporation.
- 5. From April, 1967 until March, 1968, petitioner, Alan H. Bauer, managed the creative work of the corporation's business. He did not sign any corporate checks, although he had the authority to do so. He did not sign any tax returns. He did not have anything to do with the financial affairs of the corporation. He was not aware in 1967 that there were any unpaid creditors or withholding taxes. In the spring of 1968, when he became aware of the adverse financial condition of the corporation, he terminated his relationship with it and transferred his stock and interest in it to Arthur Conway in consideration for Arthur Conway indemnifying him against claims for withholding taxes and certain other liabilities.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That petitioner, Alan H. Bauer, was not a responsible officer who willfully failed to collect, truthfully account for any pay over New York State withholding taxes due from Bauer & Conway, Inc. for the months of September, October, November and December, 1967, and therefore a penalty equal to the total amount of the unpaid withholding taxes should not have been assessed against him in accordance with the meaning and intent of sections 674, 685(1) and 685(g) of the Tax Law.
- B. That the petition of Alan H. Bauer is granted and the Notice of Deficiency issued April 14, 1971, is cancelled.

DATED: Albany, New York

November 26, 1975

STATE TAX COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER