In the Matter of the Petition

of

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JERRY CANTOR

State of New York County of Albany

Bruce Batchelor , being duly sworn, deposes and says that

The is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of
age, and that on the 21st day of December , 1976, The served the within

Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Jerry Cantor

(representative xof) the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows:

Mr. Jerry Cantor

8200 Boulevard East

North Bergen, New Jersey 07047

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 Postal Service within the State of New York.

Sworn to before me this

21st day of December . 1976.

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Bruse Batchelor



# STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

#### TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

December 21, 1976

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-3850

Mr. Jerry Cantor 8200 Boulevard East North Bergen, New Jersey 07047

Dear Mr. Cantor:

Please take notice of the DECISION 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 4 months from the date of this notice.

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. They will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours,

Frank J. Puccia

Supervisor of Small

Claims Hearings

Taxing Bureau's Representative:

Enc.

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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DECISION

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income Taxes under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Years 1970 and 1971.

Petitioner, Jerry Cantor, residing at 8200 Boulevard East, North Bergen, New Jersey 07047, has filed a petition for redetermination of a deficiency or for refund of personal income tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the years 1970 and 1971. (File No. 0-60855246).

A small claims hearing was held before Joseph Marcus, Hearing Officer, on June 7, 1976 at 1:15 P.M. at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York. The petitioner appeared <u>pro se</u>. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Frank Levitt, Esq. of counsel).

### ISSUE

Whether petitioner, Jerry Cantor, is a responsible person who willfully failed to pay over withholding tax?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner, Jerry Cantor, also known as Jeremiah Cantor, was an officer of Cantor Associate Systems Consultants, Inc. in the year 1970. On December 15, 1970, petitioner entered into a "Pre-Incorporation Agreement" with Jacob Landis and John Sacheli. The agreement stated, among other things, that a corporation known as Lanca Management Services, Inc. was to be formed in which the aforementioned persons were to be stockholders. The agreement also mentioned details as to the assignment of assets, stock ownership and salaries. The effective date of said agreement was October 1, 1970. The agreement also provided that one, John Sacheli, was to become an employee of said corporation as of October 1, 1970.
- 2. The operation of Lanca Management Services, Inc. started on March 1, 1971. In the interim (period from October 1, 1970 through February 28, 1971), Cantor Associates Systems Consultants, Inc. continued in existence and was responsible for the payroll tax liability for its employees.
- 3. On July 29, 1974, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Deficiency against Jerry Cantor as a person required to collect, truthfully account for, and pay over the tax imposed by the Income Tax Law under section 685(g) of said law.
- 4. Petitioner, Jerry Cantor, testified that he recognized the liability for tax on all of the employees during the period October 1, 1970 through February 28, 1971

except for one, John Sacheli. It was petitioner's contention that Mr. Sacheli was relieved of his duties as of September 30, 1970 and was therefore not the responsibility of the petitioner for the period under review.

- 5. Petitioner stated that Mr. Sacheli continued functioning in Cantor Associates Systems Consultants, Inc. as a director and although Mr. Sacheli was not denied his check making rights, he was to receive no compensation. Petitioner referred to the "Pre-Incorporation Agreement" of December 15, 1970 and agreement dated February 26, 1971 between Lanca Management Services, Inc. and Cantor Associates Systems Consultants, Inc. as the basis for his allegations that Mr. Sacheli was not entitled to compensation.
- 6. It was also alleged by petitioner that John Sacheli, in taking compensation from Cantor Associates Systems Consultants, Inc., was, in fact, taking funds illegally. Petitioner stated that no legal action was instituted against Mr. Sacheli for embezzlement.
- 7. The evidence indicates that the successor corporation, Lanca Management Services, Inc., gave Cantor Associates Systems Consultants, Inc. a check in the amount of \$2,228.00 "for 4th quarter Federal taxes and state, N.Y. October 1, through February 28, 1971" which was deposited in March of 1971 by Jerry Cantor. No payments to the Income Tax Bureau for any withholding taxes were made from these funds.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That petitioner, Jerry Cantor, was a responsible officer of Cantor Associates Systems Consultants, Inc. and willfully failed to pay over funds, received for the payment of withholding tax, from successor corporation, Lanca Management Services, Inc., on behalf of Cantor Associates Systems Consultants, Inc.
- B. That monies received by the secretary of Cantor Associate Systems Consultants, Inc., John Sacheli, was compensation subject to withholding tax for which petitioner was responsible.
- C. That the Notice of Deficiency dated July 29, 1974 is sustained and petition denied.

DATED: ALBANY, NEW YORK
December 21, 1976

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