In the Matter of the Petition

of

THOMAS & DOROTHY M. POWERS

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Personal Income
Taxes under Article(s) 22 of the Tax Law for the Year(s) xerx Revised(s) 1969, 1970 and 1971.

State of New York County of Albany

Carmen Mottolese , 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 30th day of September , 1976 , she served the within Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Thomas & Dorothy M.

Powers KNOTHNOMAXIVEX the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Powers

2-A Witte Road Albany, New York 12203

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

30th day of September, 1976.

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STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227 ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

September 30, 1976

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-3850

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Powers 2-A Witte Road Albany, New York 12203

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Powers:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(3) 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:

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cc:

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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DECISION

for a Redetermination of a Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Years 1969, 1970 and 1971.

Petitioners, Thomas and Dorothy M. Powers, 2-A Witte Road, Albany, New York 12203, filed a petition for a redetermination of a deficiency or for refund of personal income taxes under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the years 1969, 1970 and 1971. (File Nos. 9-35906805 and 1-74684762). A small claims hearing was held before Harry Huebsch, Hearing Officer, June 15, 1976 at 10:45 A.M., at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Room 107, Building #9, State Campus, Albany, New York. Petitioner, Thomas Powers, appeared pro se and for his wife, Dorothy M. Powers. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter J. Crotty, Esq., (Solomon Sies, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUE

Was Albany considered to be the petitioner's tax home for income tax purposes for the years 1969, 1970 and 1971, and, if so, did supplemental income received in such years for living expenses constitute additional taxable income for the years in question?

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioners, Thomas and Dorothy M. Powers, timely filed 1969, 1970 and 1971 joint resident New York State income tax returns. Upon audit of South Mall contractors, the Income Tax Bureau discovered that supplemental living expense reimbursement had been paid to Thomas Powers, who worked at the South Mall construction site. The Income Tax Bureau held these unreported payments taxable and issued notices of deficiency in the amount of \$281.56 for 1969 and \$565.40 for 1970 and 1971.
- 2. In 1965 petitioner, Thomas Powers, moved with his family and all belongings from the New York City area to the upstate Albany area to work at the South Mall. In addition to his wages, he received a supplemental check each week to defray living and automobile expenses. No voucher or explanation of any kind accompanied the supplemental payment. No withholding of any kind was deducted from the payment. This supplemental compensation did not appear on his withholding slip. No services were performed for this income.
- 3. When petitioners, Thomas and Dorothy M. Powers, first came to the Albany area, there was no definite anticipated duration for the Albany work assignment. After the South Mall work was completed, Thomas Powers and his family remained in the Albany area and still live here as of this date.
- 4. Petitioners, Thomas and Dorothy M. Powers, could not substantiate any amounts incurred for automobile expense.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That petitioners, Thomas and Dorothy M. Powers, failed to substantiate any work connected expenses.
- B. That the petitioners maintained their residence in the upstate Albany area from 1965 to date.
- C. That the petitioner's tax home for the years in question was the upstate Albany area.
- D. That the supplemental income received in such years constituted additional taxable income in such years.
- E. That the petition is denied and the Notice of Deficiency is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York September 30, 1976 STATE TAX COMMISSION

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