In the Matter of the Petition

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LAWRENCE COHEN

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Revision of a Determination or a Refund Personal Income Taxes under Article(s) of the

State of New York County of Albany

Marsina Donnini , 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 29 day of July , 1977, she served the within NOTICE OF DECISION by (certified) mail upon Lawrence Cohen

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. Lawrence Cohen

16 Court Street Brooklyn, New York 11241

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.

YOUTHEN petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the

Sworn to before me this

and mark

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STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION TAX APPEALS BUREAU ALBANY, NEW YORK 12227

THOMAS H. LYNCH

July 29, 1977

Mr. Lawrence Cohen 16 Court Street Brooklyn, New York 11241

Dear Mr. Cohen:

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

You have now exhausted your right of review at the administrative level. Pursuant to section(s) 690 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision by the State Tax Commission can only be instituted under Article 78 of the Civil Practice Laws and Rules, and must be commenced in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Albany County, within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision may be addressed to the Deputy Commissioner and Counsel to the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, Albany, New York 12227. Said inquiries will be referred to the proper authority for reply.

Sincerely,

Joseph Chyrywaty Hearing Examiner

cc: xalatitiaseriax Representative

Taxing Bureau's Representative

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 Year 1972.

Petitioner, Lawrence Cohen, residing at 16 Court Street,
Brooklyn, New York 11241, has filed a petition for redetermination
of a deficiency or for refund of personal income taxes under
Article 22 of the Tax Law for the year 1972. (File No. 12824).

A small claims hearing was held before Philip Mercurio, Small Claims Hearing Officer, on January 25, 1977 at 9:15 A.M. at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York. The petitioner appeared pro se. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (William Fox, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUE

Whether the petitioner, Lawrence Cohen, was a responsible person required to collect, truthfully account for and pay over New York State withholding taxes of Travelers Companion Incorporated for the period February 1, 1972 to March 31, 1972.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- l. Petitioner, Lawrence Cohen, was an"accommodation"officer and legal counsel of the Olympia Press, Incorporated which was the parent company of Travelers Companion Incorporated.
- 2. Petitioner, while employed by Olympia Press, Incorporated, would review and advise said firm regarding contracts entered into by the company. He was not involved in the internal or administrative or financial affairs of the firm.
- 3. On May 18, 1972, because of the financial difficulties of Travelers Companion Incorporated, the petitioner became an officer in charge and an employee of said corporation. On June 16, 1972 a petition for bankruptcy was filed.
- 4. The petitioner was not a responsible officer or employee of Travelers Companion Incorporated for the period February 1, 1972 to March 31, 1972.
- 5. The petition of Lawrence Cohen is granted and the Notice of Deficiency in the amount of \$1,218.20 issued January 27, 1975 is cancelled.

DATED: Albany, New York July 29, 1977 STATE TAX COMMISSION

PRESIDENT

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER