In the Matter of the Petition

of

CLEMENT E. and ELEANOR DAVIS

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

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 (**) XXXX *** Extract(**) 1967.:

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 20th day of May , 1977, The served the within

Notice of Decision

by (certified) mail upon Clement E. & Eleanor

Davis (representative xxf) the petitioner in the within proceeding,

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed

as follows:

Mr. & Mrs. Clement E. Davis

137 Boulder Road

Manhasset, New York 11030

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

and much

20th day of May

, 1977.

Bruce Botcheln

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whe is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 20th day of May , 1977, The served the within

Notice of Decision

by (certified) mail upon Elsie R. Finkelstein

(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding,

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed

as follows:

Elsie R. Finkelstein, P.A.

391 Marcy Avenue

Brooklyn, New York 11206

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.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative of the) 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

20th day of May

y , 1977.

and mark

Bruce Botchelo



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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

May 20, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-1723

Mr. 6 Mrs. Clement E. Davis 137 Boulder Road Manhasset, Mew York 11030

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Davis:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(*)

of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 seaths 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

cc: Petitioner's Representative:

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 Year 1967.

Petitioners, Clement E. and Eleanor Davis, residing at 137 Boulder Road, Manhasset, New York 11030, have filed a petition for redetermination of a deficiency or for refund of personal income tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the year 1967. (File No. 13140).

A small claims hearing was held before William Valcarcel, Small Claims

Hearing Officer, on August 27, 1976 at 1:15 P.M. at the offices of the State Tax

Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York. The petitioners

appeared by Elsie R. Finkelstein. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq.,

(Louis Senft, Esq., of counsel).

<u>ISSUES</u>

- I. Whether the petitioners filed a 1967 New York State personal income tax return.
- II. Whether penalties and interest imposed by the Notice of Deficiency issued July 27, 1970 should be waived.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Income Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Deficiency on July 27, 1970 on the ground that petitioner failed to file a New York personal income tax return for the year 1967 and it imposed a section 685(a) penalty, together with interest.
- 2. Petitioner failed to establish that they filed a return within five months from the due date.
- 3. The income tax return bearing a date of May 24, 1968 was filed together with a bank check dated October 22, 1968. The check was never cashed and was subsequently reissued on June 23, 1972, which was applied as a part payment of the Notice of Deficiency issued on July 27, 1970.
- 4. Petitioners failed to sustain the burden of proof, as required by section 689(e) of the Tax Law, that a New York State personal income tax return was filed for the year 1967 or that reasonable cause existed for their failure to file.
- 5. That a 25% penalty was properly imposed against petitioner within the meaning and intent of section 685(a) of the Tax Law in that petitioners were unable to show reasonable cause for either not filing the return or the late filing of the return.
- 6. That interest was properly applied, pursuant to section 684 of the Tax Law and that the Tax Law does not provide for the abatement of interest properly imposed.

- 7. The petition of Clement E. and Eleanor Davis is granted to the extent that the payment made on June 23, 1972 is applied to reduce the Notice of Deficiency issued July 27, 1970 by \$2,253.51.
- 8. The Income Tax Bureau is hereby directed to accordingly modify the Notice of Deficiency issued July 27, 1970, and except as so granted, the petition is in all other respects denied.

DATED: Albany, New York
May 20, 1977

STATE TAX COMMISSION

RESIDENT

COMMISSIONER

COMMITTEE