In the Matter of the Petition

of

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FRANK D. HACKETT

State of New York County of Albany

Bruce Batchelor , being duly sworn, deposes and says that

whe is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of

age, and that on the 26th day of April , 1977, whe served the within

Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Frank D. Hackett

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

Mr. Frank D. Hackett
1400 Glenwood Road
Vestal, New York 13850

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

26th day of April

, 1977.

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Bruce Batchelm

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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

April 26, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-1723

Mr. Frank D. Hackett 1400 Glenwood Road Vestal, New York 13850

Dear Mr. Hackett:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(%) 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.

cc:

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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DECISION

for Redetermination of Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income Taxes under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Years 1972 and 1973.

Petitioner, Frank D. Hackett, 1400 Glenwood Road, Vestal,
New York, has filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency
or for refund of personal income taxes under Article 22 of the Tax
Law for the years 1972 and 1973. (File No. 16-0911035).

A small claims hearing was held before Joseph Chyrywaty, Hearing
Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Governmental
Civic Center, Binghamton, New York, on October 20, 1976, at
10:45 a.m. Petitioner appeared pro se. The Income Tax Bureau
appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (James Scott, Esq. of counsel).

ISSUE

Was the petitioner, Frank D. Hackett, subject to the penalties imposed under section 685(g) of the Tax Law?

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On October 27, 1975, the Income Tax Bureau issued a notice of Deficiency against Frank D. Hackett in the sum of

- \$2,662.39 for the withholding tax periods July 1, 1972 through December 31, 1972; January 1, 1973 through July 5, 1973, and November 1, 1973 through November 30, 1973. This deficiency represents a penalty imposed under section 685(g) of the Tax Law for the nonpayment of withholding taxes by Frisbie Data Systems Inc.
- 2. On November 15, 1975, Frank D. Hackett filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency of personal income tax for the years 1972 and 1973.
- 3. Petitioner, Frank D. Hackett, signed an employment agreement with Frisbie Data Systems Inc. on January 17, 1972, which was also the effective date of his employment. This agreement stated in part that the petitioner was to be employed as the vice-president of New Products, and would receive an annual salary between \$12,000.00 and \$15,000.00. He remained an employee of Frisbie Data Systems Inc. until January 26, 1973. The agreement also offered an option, which he exercised, to purchase eight shares of stock in Frisbie Data Systems Inc.
- 4. Petitioner, Frank D. Hackett, was offered the position as vice-president of New Products with Frisbie Data Systems Inc. because of his technical experience acquired while working for IBM Corp. His duties with Frisbie Data Systems Inc. were to supervise the designing of an imprinter and to make available his technical knowledge and experience to enhance the growth of Frisbie Data Systems Inc.

5. Petitioner, Frank D. Hackett, was not a member of the Board of Directors. He did not have the authority to sign checks for Frisbie Data Systems Inc. He did no bookkeeping of accounting for Frisbie Data Systems Inc., and was not responsible to prepare any tax reports.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That the petitioner, Frank D. Hackett, was not a "person under a duty to perform the act in respect of which the violation occurs" as defined in section 685(n) and is therefore not subject to the penalty imposed under section 685(g) of the Tax Law.
- B. That the petition of Frank D. Hackett is granted and the Notice of Deficiency issued October 27, 1975, is cancelled.

DATED: Albany, New York
April 26, 1977

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