In the Matter of the Petition

of

#### ERNEST KAUFMAN

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or : a Revision of a Determination or a Refund Personal Income Taxes under Article 🗱 22 of the 

State of New York County of Albany

, being duly sworn, deposes and says that Marsina Donnini she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of August , 19 77, she served the within age, and that on the 22 day of by (certified) mail upon Ernest Kaufman Notice of Decision

prepresentative of the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. Ernest Kaufman 947 E. 101st Street

Brooklyn, New York 11236

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.

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

August 22, 1977

Mr. Ernest Kaufman 947 E. 101st Street Brooklyn, New York 11236

Dear Mr. Kaufman:

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(x) 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: Medininants Representation

Taxing Bureau's Representative

## 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 Year 1972.

Petitioner, Ernest Kaufman, residing at 947 E. 101st Street, Brooklyn, New York 11236, filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of personal income taxes under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the year 1972. (File No. 13507).

A small claims hearing was held before Harry Huebsch, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on March 28, 1977 at 2:45 P.M. Petitioner appeared <u>pro se</u>. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Aliza Schwadron, Esq., of counsel).

### ISSUE

Was petitioner, Ernest Kaufman, liable for penalty asserted against him in accordance with section 685(g) of the Tax Law with respect to unpaid withholding taxes due from Jon Weston; Inc. for the year 1972?

# FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Petitioner's only employer during the last twenty-five years was Detex Corporation. He lived at his present address for eighteen years.
- 2. Petitioner was never an officer, employee or stockholder of Jon Weston, Inc. He had no knowledge of said corporation and never lived at any of the addresses listed for officers in the corporation's file folder.
- 3. That petitioner, Ernest Kaufman, was not a person under a duty to perform the task of collecting, truthfully accounting for and paying over the withholding taxes deducted from the wages of employees of Jon Weston, Inc. in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 685(n) of the Tax Law.
- 4. That petitioner did not willfully fail or cause Jon Weston, Inc. to willfully fail to collect, truthfully account for and pay over to New York State withholding taxes due from said corporation for the year 1972. Therefore, a penalty equal to the total amount of the unpaid withholding taxes was improperly asserted against him in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 685(g) of the Tax Law.
- 5. That the petition of Ernest Kaufman is granted and the Notice of Deficiency in the amount of \$1,205.15 issued January 26, 1976 is cancelled.

DATED: Albany, New York August 22, 1977 STATE TAX COMMISSION

RESIDENT

OMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER