In the Matter of the Petition

of

FREDERICK C. PETERSEN

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(s) or Review 1971:

State of New York County of Albany

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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

July 7, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-1723

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Mr. Frederick C. Petersen 370 West 58th Street New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Petersen:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 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,

Enc.

Frank J. Puccia

Supervisor of Small Claims Hearings

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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 1971.

Petitioner, Frederick C. Petersen, residing at 370 West 58th Street, New York, New York 10019, 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 1971 (File No. 13-1990716).

A small claims hearing was held before William Valcarcel, Small Claims Hearing Officer, on October 22, 1976 at 1:15 p.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., (I.A. Levy, Esq. of counsel).

ISSUE

Whether the petitioner, Frederick C. Petersen, is subject to a penalty for willful failure to collect and pay over withholding taxes, pursuant to section 685(g) of Article 22 of the Tax Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Income Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Deficiency dated July 30, 1973, imposing a section 685(g) penalty for the petitioner's failure to collect and pay over personal income taxes withheld by Abver Restaurant, Inc.
- 2. Petitioner, Frederick C. Petersen, stated that he was never an employee, stockholder, creditor, or officer of Abver Restaurant, Inc.
- 3. An individual by the name of John Roth approached the petitioner with the promise of making him a partner on the condition that the petitioner would allow the use of his name for the purpose of obtaining a liquor license. The petitioner signed for the liquor license, but was never given stock or any other financial interest in Abver Restaurant, Inc.
- 4. The signature which appears on the "Employer Semi-Annual" (IT-2101-S) is not petitioner's signature, and that he never signed tax returns of any type for Abver Restaurant, Inc.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the petitioner, Frederick C. Petersen, is 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 Frederick C. Petersen is granted and the Notice of Deficiency issued July 30, 1973 is cancelled.

DATED: Albany, New York

July 7, 1977

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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