In the Matter of the Petition

of

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

MARTIN H. PROYECT and NELLIE W. PROYECT

State of New York County of Albany

John Huhn , 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 1st day of September , 1977, \*The served the within

Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Martin H. & Nellie W.

33 Sutton Place

New York, New York 10005

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 mixion) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative mixion) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

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(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding,

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

Raymond S. Fersko, Esq.

as follows:

Walsh and Levine

70 Pine Street

New York, New York 10005

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.

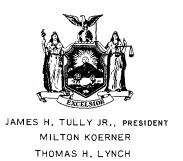
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STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION TAX APPEALS BUREAU ALBANY, NEW YORK 12227

September 1, 1977

Mr. & Mrs. Martin H. Proyect 33 Sutton Place New York, New York 10005

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Proyect:

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) 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 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,

John J. Sollecito

Director

Tax Appeals Bureau

cc: Petitioner's 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 Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Year 1972.

Petitioners, Martin H. Proyect and Nellie W. Proyect, 33 Sutton Place, New York, New York 10005, 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 1972. (File No. 11752).

A formal hearing was held before Michael Alexander, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on January 18, 1977 at 10,45 A.M. The petitioners appeared by Walsh & Levine (Raymond S. Fersko, Esq. of counsel). The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq. (James Scott, Esq. of counsel).

## **ISSUES**

I. Whether the Income Tax Bureau properly increased petitioners' Federal adjusted gross income in arriving at New York adjusted gross income in regard to a long term capital gain in 1972.

- II. Whether the Income Tax Bureau properly applied the specific deduction available to a resident individual in the computation of minimum taxable income and allowed the proper deductions and allocable expenses.
- III. Whether the Income Tax Bureau computed the interest due, in the event of an underpayment, for the appropriate time period.
- IV. Whether the retroactive effective date of Chapter 1 of the Laws of 1972, and the combined application of sections 601-A, 602(d), 622 and 623 results in unfair, discriminatory, and unconstitutional treatment of petitioners.

# FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioners, Martin H. Proyect and Nellie W. Proyect, filed a New York income tax resident return for the year 1972. Therein, the tax stated to be due New York was \$20,455.13. No minimum income tax was computed on the return.
- 2. On November 24, 1975, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes to petitioners asserting additional income tax due of \$5,522.97, plus interest to that date of \$1,081.51. This additional tax due was computed based on a modification of a capital gain omitted by the petitioners on the return, the application of the minimum income tax to that portion of the

capital gain not taxed which is considered an item of tax preference, and included adjustments made for modification of allocable expenses. Accordingly, a Notice of Deficiency was issued November 24, 1975, asserting additional income tax due of \$5,522.97, plus interest to that date of \$1,081.51.

3. Petitioners, Martin H. Proyect and Nellie W. Proyect, reported long term capital gains of \$158,085.39 on their 1972 Federal income tax return. To this figure, petitioners added short term capital gains and reported one-half of that sum as income from the sale of capital assets on both their Federal and New York personal income tax returns.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That the Income Tax Bureau properly modified petitioners' Federal adjusted gross income, to arrive at New York adjusted gross income, by adding thereto one-fifth of the amount by which net long term capital gain exceeded net short term capital loss for the year 1972. (Tax Law § 612(b)(1)).
- B. That the Income Tax Bureau properly computed the minimum taxable income of petitioners pursuant to the provisions of section 622 of the Tax Law for the taxable year in question.
- C. That the Income Tax Bureau properly computed the interest on the tax asserted to be due pursuant to section 684 of the Tax Law. Cooper-Smith v. Bragalini, 4 A.D. 2d 374.

- D. That the State Tax Commission lacks jurisdiction to consider constitutional questions and, further, the constitutionality of the laws of the State of New York are presumed at the administrative level.
- E. That the petition of Martin H. Proyect and Nellie W. Proyect is denied and the Notice of Deficiency issued November 24, 1975 is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York

September 1, 1977

STATE TAX COMMISSION

RESIDENT

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER