In the Matter of the Petition

of

Ralph & Penni Zola

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Personal Income Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law

State of New York County of Albany

for the Year 1969.

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Ralph & Penni Zola 21 Churchill Rd.

Englewood Cliffs, NJ

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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Mr. Jerome Wohl W. R. Woulf & Co. 1 Lincoln Plaza New York, NY 10023

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# STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION ALBANY, NEW YORK 12227

October 19, 1979

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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Zola:

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) 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:

NYS Dept. Taxation and Finance Deputy Commissioner and Counsel Albany, New York 12227 Phone # (518) 457-6240

Very truly yours,

STATE TAX COMMISSION

cc: Petitioner's Representative
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## ISSUE

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- 1. By a Notice of Deficiency dated October 30, 1972, the Income Tax Bureau asserted additional tax due of \$5,734.36 against petitioners, Ralph and Penni Zola. As the result of a conference between petitioners and the Income Tax Bureau, the asserted deficiency was reduced to \$1,032.86.
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- 4. Petitioners submitted an affidavit in which petitioner Ralph Zola asserted that the bonus herein at issue was attributable entirely to work which was performed during July of 1969, and that the bonus was paid in September of 1969. This was the only evidence offered by petitioners.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That under section 689(e) of the Tax Law, the burden of proof is on petitioners to show that the bonus was accrued to them after the change in residence. Petitioners have not met this burden of proof.
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DATED: Albany, New York

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ZOLA, RALPH & PENNI (returned Moved, left no address)

November 14, 1979

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From Robert F. Mulligan

Department of Taxation and Finance TAX APPEALS BUREAU STATE OF NEW YORK ALBANY, N. Y. 12227 STATE CAMPUS TA-26 (4-76) 25M

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