In the Matter of the Petition

of

BOHDAN O. AND MARIA R. SZUPROWICZ

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income: Taxes under Article (s) 22 of the Tax Law for the Year(s) 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1967 and 1968.

State of New York County of Albany

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DATED: Albany, New York February 10, 1976

Mr. & Mrs. Bohdan O. Szuprowicz 8200 Kennedy Boulevard East North Bergen, NJ 07047

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Szuprowicz:

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

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

Any 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. These will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours,

Enc.

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DECISION

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Petitioners, Bohdan O. and Maria R. Szuprowicz, 8200 Kennedy Boulevard East, North Bergen, New Jersey 07047, have filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of personal income tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the years 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1967 and 1968. (File No. 8-29983856).

ISSUES

- I. Were the petitioners resident individuals subject to income tax during the tax years in question?
- II. Were penalties and interest properly assessed against the petitioners?

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The petitioners, Bohdan O. and Maria R. Szuprowicz, filed timely Federal income tax returns for the years in question. The petitioners did not file any New York State income tax returns for those years.

- 2. The petitioners resided in New York State from the beginning of 1962 until February 28, 1968 at 6255 Broadway, New York, New York and later at 103 Gedney Street, Nyack, New York. During the years in question, petitioner, Bohdan O. Szuprowicz, acted as a consulting engineer and computer analyst for various principals. This work required travel outside the state. Under the belief that income earned at sites outside New York was not subject to New York taxation, the petitioners did not file New York State income tax returns for the years in question.
- 3. On January 31, 1972, a Statement of Audit Changes was issued against the petitioners concerning tax years 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1967 and 1968. Additional tax for the years 1962, 1963 and 1964 was computed in conformity with information supplied by petitioner, Bohdan O. Szuprowicz, in a letter dated February 20, 1971. A Notice of Deficiency was issued in the total amount of \$4,000.35 representing additional tax due, penalties and interest computed to January 31, 1972. Previous Statements of Audit Changes, dated December 17, 1969 and February 11, 1971 were superseded by the January 31, 1972 assessments.
- 4. As a result of additional investigation and conferences with petition of Bohdan O. Szuprowicz, the following facts were adduced. The actual amount of New York State income tax withheld

from Mr. Szuprowicz's salary for 1962 was \$313.20. For 1965, \$619.57 was withheld from Mr. Szuprowicz's wages as evidenced by 1965 Wage and Tax Statements. For 1967, the petitioners received income in addition to wages and salaries in the amount of \$2,206.60. Reflecting the reduced credit for tax withheld for 1962, the increased credit for tax withheld available for 1965, and the additional income of 1967, the petitioners' additional tax liability was recomputed. The resulting amount was \$2,121.22. Penalties computed thereon amounted to \$530.30.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That, the petitioners, Bohdan O. and Maria R. Szuprowicz, were resident individuals for the tax years in question and were subject to the imposition of income tax pursuant to section 611 of the Tax Law.
- B. That the penalties were properly imposed on the petitioners for failure to file income tax returns for the tax years in question within the period allowed by law. Section 685(a) of the Tax Law clearly provides for such penalties unless the taxpayer proves that failure to file was due to reasonable cause and not due to wilful neglect. The petitioners' misapprehension concerning the taxability of Mr. Szuprowicz's wages does not constitute reasonable cause for failure to file mandated returns.

- C. That, interest was properly assessed on the petitioner's additional tax liability. Section 684(a) of the Tax Law provides for interest on any amount of income tax not paid on the last date prescribed for payment. The petitioners did not prove that any of the exceptions to the general rule enumerated in section 684 were applicable to this case.
- D. That, the petition is denied. Additional tax due of \$2,121.22 plus interest is hereby imposed on the taxpayers. A penalty of \$530.30 is also sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York February 10, 1976 STATE TAX COMMISSION

PRESIDENT

COMMISSIONER