In the Matter of the Petition

of

JAMES P. CULLEN and TRAUDY CULLEN:

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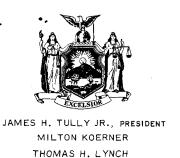
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STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION TAX APPEALS BUREAU ALBANY, NEW YORK 12227

November 25, 1977

James P. Cullen and Traudy Cullen 652 73rd Street Brooklyn, New York 11209

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Cullen:

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(3) 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 Chyrywa

Hearing Examiner

cc: Petitioner's Representative

Taxing Bureau's Representative

STATE OF NEW YORK

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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, James P. Cullen and Traudy Cullen, residing at 652 73rd Street, Brooklyn, New York 11209, 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. 13136).

A small claims hearing was held before Joseph A. Milack, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on October 20, 1976 at 1:15 P.M. Petitioner James P. Cullen appeared pro se and for his wife, petitioner, Traudy Cullen. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq. (William Fox, Esq., of counsel).

## ISSUE

Whether petitioner James P. Cullen, a domiciliary of New York State, was a resident of New York State for personal income tax purposes during the year 1972.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner Traudy Cullen filed a resident New York State income tax return for the year 1972. Petitioner James P. Cullen did not file such a return for said year.

- 2. On March 31, 1975, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Deficiency against petitioners, James P. Cullen and Traudy Cullen, based on a Statement of Audit Changes which held that James P. Cullen was a resident of New York State for personal income tax purposes for the year 1972. As such, his income was taxable by New York State for said year.
- 3. Petitioner James P. Cullen conceded that he was domiciled in New York State during 1972. However, he contended (a) that during said year he did not maintain a permanent place of abode in New York, (b) that he did maintain a permanent place of abode in New Jersey and (c) that he spent less than thirty days in New York. Therefore, he concluded that he was a nonresident for New York State personal income tax purposes.
- 4. During the year 1970, petitioner James P. Cullen entered the United States Army for a period of four years. Prior to his enlistment, he resided in and was a domiciliary of New York State.
- 5. During the year 1972, petitioner James P. Cullen was stationed at the Military Ocean Terminal in Bayonne, New Jersey. During said year, he resided with his aunt in South Orange, New Jersey. He contended that said residence constituted the maintenance of a permanent place of abode.
- 6. Petitioner James P. Cullen was married during the year 1971, while in the service. His wife resided with her parents in Massachussets until the latter part of 1972, at which time she completed her education. She then moved to New York State and stayed with her husband's mother in Queens, New York.

- 7. During the year 1972, petitioners, James P. Cullen and Traudy Cullen, sought living quarters in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn. They did not find such living quarters until February or March of 1973. During this period, they lived apart during the workweek and traveled to Massachussets for the weekends.
- 8. Petitioner James P. Cullen spent less than thirty days in New York during the year 1972.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That petitioner James P. Cullen is a resident of New York State since his stay with his aunt in South Orange, New Jersey during the year 1972 did not constitute the maintenance of a permanent place of abode outside the State of New York, within the meaning and intent of section 605(a)(1) of the Tax Law and 20 NYCRR 102.2(e). Therefore, his income as determined by section 611 of the Tax Law is taxable for New York State income tax purposes.
- B. That the petition of James P. Cullen and Traudy Cullen is denied and the Notice of Deficiency issued March 31, 1975 is sustained, together with such interest as may be lawfully owing.

DATED: Albany, New York

November 25, 1977

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