In the Matter of the Petition

of

CARL KIRSCHNER

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) 22:

State of New York County of Albany

Bruce Batchelor , being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 4th day of March , 19 77, whe served the within Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Carl Kirschner

(representative xmf) the petitioner in the within proceeding,
by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed
as follows: Mr. Carl Kirschner
140-21 Burden Crescent
Jamaica, New York 11435

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

Sworn to before me this

4th day of March

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TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

March 4, 1977

FLEPHONE: (518) 457-1723

Mr. Carl Kirschner 140-21 Burden Crescent Jamaica, New York 11435

Dear Mr. Kirschner:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(3) 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,

Frank J. Puccia

Supervisor of

Small Claims Hearings

cc: Petitioner's Representative:

Taxing Bureau's Representative:

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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 1973.

Petitioner, Carl Kirschner, residing at 140-21 Burden Crescent, Jamaica, New York 11435, has 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 1973 (File No. 3-49185473).

A small claims hearing was held before Joseph Marcus, Hearing Officer, on September 23, 1976 at 2:45 p.m. at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York. The petitioner appeared with his representative, Theodore Mausner. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq. (Frank Levitt, Esq. of counsel).

ISSUE

Whether a stipend received by petitioner as a graduate student is excludable from gross income in accordance with section 117 of the Internal Revenue Code.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner, Carl Kirschner, filed a New York State combined income tax return for 1973. Petitioner omitted therein amounts received from Life Office Management Associates and New York University,

aggregating \$3,951.00. In the case of New York University, the stipend was paid to petitioner, Carl Kirschner, as a graduate teaching assistant. The funds he received from Life Office Management Associates were paid to him as a research assistant.

- 2. On July 1, 1974, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes disallowing the omission of the aforementioned stipends. In connection therewith, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Deficiency on April 11, 1975 covering the disallowance.
- 3. Petitioner, Carl Kirschner, contended that in pursuit of a doctorate in his specialty, industrial psychology, he was required to complete his assistantship and research intermship, a requirement set by the Department of Psychology, New York University. The research and teaching activities performed by the petitioner were activities required of all candidates for a doctoral degree in industrial psychology at New York University as a condition to receiving such degree.
- 4. The grantors, in each case, withheld payroll taxes from the stipends.
- 5. The requirement mandating the necessity for the graduate student's participation in teaching assistantships and research internships was attested to in a letter dated February 4, 1974, addressed "To Whom It May Concern" and signed by Joseph Weitz, Professor of Psychology Coordinator, Graduate Industrial Psychology Program, New York University.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That petitioner, Carl Kirschner, in fulfilling his requirements for a Doctorate in Industrial Psychology, received stipends which were not includable in gross income, in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 117(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- B. That the petition of Carl Kirschner is sustained and the Notice of Deficiency dated April 11, 1975 is rescinded.

DATED: Albany, New York March 4, 1977

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