

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

### STATE TAX COMMISSION

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September 21, 1979

Arthur H. & Mary E. Peralta-Ramos c/o Robert A. Parr 350 Park Ave. New York, NY 10022

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Peralta-Ramos:

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cc: Petitioner's Representative

Robert A. Parr 350 Park Ave.

New York, NY 10022

Taxing Bureau's Representative

In the Matter of the Petition

of

Arthur H. & Mary E. Peralta-Ramos

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 for the Years 1961 - 1963.

State of New York County of Albany

Jay Vredenburg, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 21st day of September, 1979, he served the within notice of Decision by certified mail upon Arthur H. & Mary E. Peralta-Ramos, the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows:

Arthur H. & Mary E. Peralta-Ramos c/o Robert A. Parr

New York, NY 10022

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

Sworn to before me this 21st day of September, 1979.

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## ISSUE

Whether petitioners were New York residents for income tax purposes in 1961, 1962 and 1963.

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## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That petitioners, Arturo H. Peralta-Ramos and Mary E. Peralta-Ramos, were not domiciled in New York in 1961 and 1962. That petitioner Arthur H. Peralta-Ramos was not domiciled in New York in 1963.

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E. That petitioners' failure to file income tax returns was due to reasonable cause, within the intent and meaning of the former section 685(a) (since renumbered 685(a)(l)) of the Tax Law; therefore, the penalty shall be cancelled.

F. That the petitions of Arturo H. Peralta-Ramos and Mary E. Peralta-Ramos are granted to the extent that penalties for failure to file are cancelled, but that in all other respects, the petitions are denied. The notices of deficiency dated March 31, 1975, as modified by Conclusion of Law "E", are sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York

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October 16, 1979

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From Robert F. Mulligan

Robert A. Parr 350 Park Ave. CLAIM CHECK NO. **₹** 2ND NOTICE PATE 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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