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of

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Personal Income and Unincorporated Business Taxes under Article(s) 22 & 23 of the Tax Law for the XEXECENTAR Period(x) January 1 through June 30, 1965.

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Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Morris Schlitten

(representative of the petitioner in the within proceeding,
by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed
as follows:

Mr. Morris Schlitten

Mr. Morris Schlitten 305 East 86th Street New York, New York

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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JAMES H. TULLY JR., PRESIDENT MILTON KOERNER THOMAS H. LYNCH

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

May 3, 1978

Mr. Morris Schlitten 305 Rast 86th Street New York, New York

Dear Mr. Schlitten:

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

You have now exhausted your right of review at the administrative of the Tax Law, any level. Pursuant to section(s) 690 & 722 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 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,

Assistant Director

Petitioner's Representative cc:

Taxing Bureau's Representative

#### STATE OF NEW YORK

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A formal hearing was held before Lawrence A. Newman, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission in the City of New York on March 27, 1970. The petitioner appeared by Max Fruchtman, Esq. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Edward H. Best, Esq. (Solomon Sies, Esq., of counsel).

#### ISSUE

Whether cash found in petitioner's apartment at the time of his arrest for gambling violations constituted unreported earnings of petitioner from an illegal lottery.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On July 29, 1965, the Income Tax Bureau issued a jeopardy assessment in the amount of \$78,860.00 against petitioner, Morris Schlitten, for the period January 1 through June 30, 1965, in accordance with the provisions of section 694(1) of the Tax Law.
- 2. In accordance with the aforesaid jeopardy assessment, a Notice of Deficiency was issued against petitioner on August 9, 1965.
- 3. On June 26, 1965, the petitioner and two other persons were arrested by the New York City Police in an apartment leased to petitioner at 305 East 86th Street, New York, New York. Petitione was charged with violating sections 974, 974A and 975 of the Penal Law, which deal with the operation of an illegal numbers game. At the time of the arrest, the police seized \$22,835.00 in currency which was found in the apartment. In computing the jeopardy assessment, the seized currency was assumed to be the net proceeds from the operation of an illegal lottery for one week. This amount was multiplied by 25 weeks, equalling the sum of \$570,875.00 for the early-terminated tax year of January 1 through June 30, 1965. Personal income and unincorporated business taxes were computed on said amount and were assessed against each of the three individuals arrested in the apartment, including the petitioner, since the true

ownership of the funds could not be ascertained. The funds were seized and held by the New York City Police Property Clerk to await a claim of ownership.

- 4. The petitioner denied ownership of the money and did not file a claim for it.
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#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That there is insufficient evidence to support a finding that the cash found in an apartment leased by petitioner, or the amount projected by the Income Tax Bureau, constituted unreported illegal lottery earnings of the petitioner.
- B. That the 1965 New York State income tax liability of petitioner is \$935.00, plus interest at the rate of 6 percent per annum from the due date for filing the 1965 return to the date of payment.

C. That the jeopardy assessment is abated and the petition of Morris Schlitten, except as otherwise provided in Conclusion of Law "B" hereof, is granted.

DATED: Albany, New York
May 3, 1978

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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DATED: Albany, New York May 3, 1978

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