In the Matter of the Petition

of

Frank Curatola

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 Year 1975.

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 13th day of March, 1981, he served the within notice of Decision by certified mail upon Frank Curatola, the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows:

Frank Curatola 130 Overlook Ave. Hackensack, NJ

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 13th day of March, 1981.

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Mr. Steven I. Tolman McDonough, Schneider, Marcus, Cohn & Tretter 866 Third Ave. 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 representative of the petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the representative of the petitioner.

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

March 13, 1981

Frank Curatola 130 Overlook Ave. Hackensack, NJ

Dear Mr. Curatola:

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(s) 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:

NYS Dept. Taxation and Finance Deputy Commissioner and Counsel Albany, New York 12227 Phone # (518) 457-6240

Very truly yours,

STATE TAX COMMISSION

cc: Petitioner's Representative Steven I. Tolman McDonough, Schneider, Marcus, Cohn & Tretter 866 Third Ave. New York, NY 10022 Taxing Bureau's Representative

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FRANK CURATOLA

DECISION

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the year 1975.

Petitioner, Frank Curatola, 130 Overlook Avenue, Hackensack, New Jersey, 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 1975 (File No. 21462).

A formal hearing was held before Herbert Carr, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on June 27, 1979 at 10:45 A.M. Petitioner appeared by McDonough, Schneider, Marcus, Cohn & Tretter, P.C. (Steven I. Tolman, Esq., of counsel). The Audit Division appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq. (Patricia L. Brumbaugh, Esq., of counsel).

#### ISSUE

Whether petitioner was a person required to collect, truthfully account for and pay over withholding tax with respect to F.C. Industries, Inc., and willfully failed to do so.

# FINDINGS OF FACT

1. By Notice of Deficiency dated November 28, 1977, the Department of Taxation and Finance asserted a penalty of \$6,671.75 against petitioner, Frank Curatola, pursuant to Section 685(g) of the Tax Law predicated upon the failure of F.C. Industries, Inc. ("the Corporation") to remit withholding tax in the aforesaid amount during the period April 1, 1975 through August 31, 1975.

- 2. The Corporation was engaged in business as a contractor employing six people in the office and sales force, and between twenty-five and thirty people as mechanics during the tax period in question, until September 3, 1975 when an assignment for the benefit of creditors was executed, and the Corporation formally ceased operations.
  - 3. Frank Curatola was the founder and president of the Corporation.
  - 4. Curatola exercised general managerial control over the Corporation.
- 5. By formal stipulation, Curatola admitted personal liability for the penalty at issue.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That pursuant to stipulation, Frank Curatola admits personal liability for the penalty under section 685(g) of the Tax Law in the sum of \$6,671.75 with respect to the failure of F.C. Industries, Inc. to remit withholding taxes collected by the Corporation.
- B. That the petition of Frank Curatola is denied and the Notice of Deficiency is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York

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