STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition

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Gerald Meinster

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or Revision of a Determination or Refund of Personal Income Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Years 1977 - 1979.

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ss.:

County of Albany :

David Parchuck, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is an employee of the State Tax Commission, that he is over 18 years of age, and that on the 16th day of July, 1985, he served the within notice of Decision by certified mail upon Gerald Meinster, the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows:

Gerald Meinster 22 Willmington Dr. Dix Hills, NY 11746

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a post office 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.

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July 16, 1985

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Dear Mr. Meinster:

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, a proceeding in court to review an adverse decision by the State Tax Commission may be instituted only under Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law 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:

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DECISION

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A hearing was held before Allen Caplowaith, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on March 20, 1985 at 9:15 A.M. Petitioner appeared by Irving E. Cohen. The Audit Division appeared by John P. Dugan, Esq. (Herbert Kamrass, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUE

Whether adjustments attributing additional unreported income to petitioner for the years 1977, 1978 and 1979 were proper.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Gerald Meinster (hereinafter "petitioner") timely filed a New York

State Income Tax Resident Return with his wife, Elizabeth Meinster, for each of
the years 1977, 1978 and 1979 under filing status "Married filing separately on
one Return".

2. On January 22, 1982, the Audit Division issued a Notice of Deficiency against petitioner for the years 1977, 1978 and 1979 asserting additional personal income tax of \$34,059.72, plus penalty of \$1,702.97 and interest of \$8,900.47, for a total due of \$44,663.16. Said notice was premised upon the following adjustments made as the result of a field audit incorporating the cash availability analysis method of income reconstruction:

<u>ADJUSTMENTS</u>	<u>1977</u>	1978	<u>1979</u>
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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That petitioner has failed to sustain his burden of proof, imposed pursuant to section 689(e) of the Tax Law, to show that the adjustments made each year at issue for "Additional Funds Required" were erroneous or improper.
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DATED: Albany, New York

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