In the Matter of the Petition

of

ARTHUR L. COHEN

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING OF NOTICE OF DECISION BY (CERTIFIED) MAIL

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Sales:
Taxes under Article(s) 28 of the
Tax Law for the (Years(s) March 31, 1970

State of New York County of Albany

Martha Funaro, 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 30th day of March , 19 72, she served the within
Notice of Decision (or Determination) by (certified) mail upon Arthur L. Cohen
(representative of) the petitioner in the within

proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Arthur L. Cohen

40 South Cole Avenue Spring Valley, New York 10977

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 Post Office Department within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative of) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of the) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

30th day of March , 1972

Martha Funaro



STATE OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

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STATE TAX COMMISSION

NORMAN F. GALLMAN, ACTING PRESIDENT
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Duted:

Albany, New York

March 30, 1972

Arthur L. Cohen 40 South Cole Avenue Spring Valley, New York 10977

Dear Sir:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to section 1138 the Tax Law any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 Months after the date of this notice.

Any inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relating hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. These will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence A. Newman

HEARING OFFICER

cc Petitioner's Representative Law Bureau STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application

of

ARTHUR L. COHEN : DETERMINATION

for Refund of Sales and Use Taxes under Article 28 of the Tax Law Relating to a Transaction Occurring on March 31, 1970.

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Arthur L. Cohen applied for refund of sales and use taxes under Article 28 of the Tax Law relating to a transaction occurring on March 31, 1970. A formal hearing was held before Lawrence A. Newman, Hearing Officer, in the offices of the State Tax Commission in the City of New York on November 16, 1971. The applicant appeared pro se. The Sales Tax Bureau was represented by Edward H. Best, Esq. (Solomon Sies, Esq., of Counsel).

ISSUE

Whether the value of a used automobile transferred to an employee is subject to the sales and use tax.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The applicant, Arthur L. Cohen, was employed as a salesman for Kem Manufacturing Corporation of Tucker, Georgia. In recognition of his successful sales efforts, Kem transferred a used 1969 Cadillac automobile which it owned, to the applicant during the year 1970. The value of the automobile at the time of transfer was estimated as \$5,000, which amount was reported as additional earnings for the

year 1970 for income tax purposes by the applicant.

2. On March 31, 1970, the applicant registered the vehicle with the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles. Prior thereto, he completed the statement of transaction, casual sale of motor vehicle for sales and use tax purposes. The applicant claimed that the vehicle was acquired as a gift and no sales or use tax was due.

3. As a result of later correspondence by the Sales Tax Bureau, the applicant paid the sum of \$149.94 in sales taxes and late payment charge on August 4, 1970. The tax was computed on a fair market value of the automobile of \$4,900. On August 31, 1970, the applicant filed the equivalent of a claim for refund which the Sales Tax Bureau has denied.

DETERMINATION

A. The transfer of a motor vehicle from an employer to an employee, as additional compensation to the employee, is a sale within the meaning and intent of Article 28 of the Tax Law, and the fair market value of the vehicle is subject to the sales and use tax.

B. The claim for refund is denied.

DATED: Albany, New York

March 30, 1923

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Mr. Arthur L. Cohen 40 South Cole Avenue Spring Valley, New York 10977

Re: Determination of the State Tax Comission Dated: March 30, 1972

Dear Mr. Cohen:

Your letter of April 1, 1972, mentions that you take exception to the findings and determination as issued by the Commission.

In this event, the review that you would seek is afforded under the provisions of Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules. As mentioned in my letter accompanying the determination, such action should be commenced within four months of the date of the mailing of the determination.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence A. Hewman Hearing Officer

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April 11, 1972

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40 South Cole Amenue
Spring Valley, New York 10977

Dear Mr. Cohen

Re: Arthur L. Cohen
Decision dated March 30, 1972
Article 28 - March 31, 1970

This acknowledges your letter regarding the recent decision of the State Tax Commission.

Your letter has been referred to the Litigation Unit of our Bureau of Law for their attention and response to your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence A. Newman Hearing Officer

cc: James Scott Lew Bureau Store - 11 figs

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