In the Matter of the Petition

of

HERBERT RAMOS

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State of New York County of Albany

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Herbert Ramos

342 West 23rd Street New York, New York 10011

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.

Sworn to before me this

13th day of December

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THOMAS H. LYNCH

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

December 13, 1978

Herbert Ramos 342 West 23rd Street New York, New York 10011

Dear Mr. Ramos:

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

You have now exhausted your right of review at the administrative level. Pursuant to section(s) 1138 & 1243 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 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.

Jóseph Chyrywaty Hraring Examiner

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Taxing Bureau's Representative

STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

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DETERMINATION

for Revision of a Determination or for Refund of Sales and Use Taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the Period September, 1971 through February, 1975.

Applicant, Herbert Ramos, 342 West 23rd Street, New York, New York 10011, filed an application for revision of a determination or for refund of sales and use taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the period September, 1971 through February, 1975 (File No. 11437).

A small claims hearing was held before Raymond Siegel, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on January 9, 1978. Applicant appeared pro se. The Sales Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq. (Samuel Freund, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUES

I. Whether applicant paid sales tax on the rental of a hotel room while a permanent resident and is thereby entitled to a refund of said tax.

II. Whether applicant timely filed an application for credit or refund of state and local sales or use tax for the period September, 1971 through February, 1975.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On April 17, 1975, applicant, Herbert Ramos, filed an application for credit or refund of state and local sales or use tax for the period September, 1971 through February, 1975. Applicant requested a refund of \$415.62 representing sales taxes allegedly paid on the rental of a hotel room while a permanent resident.
- 2. During the period at issue, applicant resided at the Baratt Hotel, 342 West 23rd Street, New York, New York. Applicant paid his rent on a bi-weekly basis.
- 3. Applicant contended that sales tax was paid on the bi-weekly rental. Applicant submitted room rental receipts which indicated the amount of rent paid for the bi-weekly period. The receipts contained no reference to sales tax or any other evidence that sales tax was, in fact, being charged.
- 4. On October 3, 1975, the Sales Tax Bureau denied applicant's refund claim on the grounds that the rental receipts did not show any sales tax as being charged.
- 5. Applicant submitted no documentary or other substantial evidence to show that sales tax was charged on the rentals.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That applicant, Herbert Ramos, failed to sustain the burden of proof that sales tax was paid on the rental of the hotel room.
- B. That the application for credit or refund of state and local sales or use taxes was not timely for the period September, 1971 through February, 1975 and would be excluded from consideration under any circumstances by virtue of section 1139(a) of the Tax Law.
- C. That the application of Herbert Ramos is denied and the Denial of Refund, dated October 3, 1975, is hereby sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York
December 13, 1978

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