### STATE OF NEW YORK

#### STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition

of

Mac David Furniture, Inc.

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or Revision of a Determination or Refund of Sales & Use Tax under Article 28 & 29 of the Tax Law for the Period 12/1/78-8/31/81.

State of New York:

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 10th day of July, 1985, he served the within notice of decision by certified mail upon Mac David Furniture, Inc., the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows:

Mac David Furniture, Inc. c/o David Siegel 506 Beach 137th St. Belle Harbor, NY 11694

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.

David Caroline

Sworn to before me this 10th day of July, 1985.

Authorized to administer oaths pursuant to Tax Law section 174

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James Brogan Leo J. Carey 4626 Flatlands Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11234

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July 10, 1985

Mac David Furniture, Inc. c/o David Siegel 506 Beach 137th St. Belle Harbor, NY 11694

#### Gentlemen:

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) 1138 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:

NYS Dept. Taxation and Finance Law Bureau - Litigation Unit Building #9, State Campus Albany, New York 12227 Phone # (518) 457-2070

Very truly yours,

STATE TAX COMMISSION

cc: Petitioner's Representative James Brogan Leo J. Carey 4626 Flatlands Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11234 Taxing Bureau's Representative · STATE OF NEW YORK

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**DECISION** 

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 December 1, 1978 through August 31, 1981.

Petitioner, Mac David Furniture, c/o David Siegel, 506 Beach 137th Street, Belle Harbor, New York 11694, filed a petition 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 December 1, 1978 through August 31, 1981 (File No. 38906).

A hearing was held before James Hoefer, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on April 24, 1985 at 9:15 A.M. Petitioner appeared by James Brogan, associated with the Office of Leo J. Carey, C.P.A. The Audit Division appeared by John P. Dugan, Esq. (Irwin Levy, Esq., of counsel).

### **ISSUE**

Whether the Audit Division properly disallowed petitioner's claimed non-taxable sales.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner herein, Mac David Furniture, Inc., filed New York State and Local Sales and Use Tax returns for the period December 1, 1978 through August 31, 1981. Gross sales reported on said returns totaled \$46,753.00 and reported taxable sales amounted to \$34,342.00.

- 2. On July 20, 1982, the Audit Division issued notices of determination and demand for payment of sales and use tax due (hereinafter "notices") to Mac David Furniture, Inc. and to David H. Siegel as a responsible officer of such corporation. Said notices, which encompassed the period December 1, 1978 through August 31, 1981, assessed additional sales tax due of \$1,044.12, plus simple interest of \$263.66, for a total amount due of \$1,307.78.
- 3. The tax due determined in the aforementioned notices was based on a field audit conducted by the Audit Division. Numerous requests were made of petitioner to make its books and records available for audit, however, no records were presented for examination. An auditor from the Audit Division's Brooklyn District Office visited petitioner's place of business and observed that petitioner was engaged in the retail sale of furniture; that business hours were limited; that there appeared to be no inventory; and that most sales were made on a direct order basis. Accordingly, it was decided to accept gross sales as reported by petitioner and limit the audit to verification of reported non-taxable sales of \$12,411.00. During the course of the audit, petitioner presented no documentation to support claimed non-taxable sales and, therefore, the Audit Division disallowed said non-taxable sales in total.
- 4. The Audit Division also determined that David H. Siegel was "...personally liable as officer of Mac David Furniture, Inc., under Sections 1131(1) and 1133 of the Tax Law...". Mr. Siegel was President of Mac David Furniture, Inc., and no argument or evidence was adduced at the hearing to show that he was not a person required to collect tax on behalf of Mac David Furniture, Inc.
- 5. At the hearing held herein petitioner submitted its general ledger in evidence to support claimed non-taxable out-of-state sales. Said general ledger contained a column headed "out of town" and it was alleged that the

sales recorded in this column were sales of furniture which were delivered outside New York State and, therefore, non-taxable transactions. The general ledger identified the customer's name but not his or her address. Other than the general ledger, no other documentary evidence was presented to substantiate out-of-state sales and deliveries.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That regulation 20 NYCRR 527.1(a) provides, in part, that:

"The sales tax is imposed on the receipts from every retail sale of tangible personal property except...(6) [S]ale of tangible personal property delivered by the vendor to the purchaser or his designee outside of this State for use outside of this State."

Section 1132(c) of the Tax Law provides, in part, that:

- "...it shall be presumed that all receipts for property or services of any type mentioned in subdivisions (a), (b), (c) and (d) of section eleven hundred five...are subject to tax until the contrary is established, and the burden of proving that any receipt...is not taxable hereunder shall be upon the person required to collect tax...".
- B. That the limited evidence submitted by petitioner does not establish that claimed non-taxable sales constituted sales of tangible personal property delivered by petitioner to purchasers outside the State for use outside the State.
- C. That the petition of Mac David Furniture, Inc., is denied and the notices dated July 20, 1982, are sustained, together with such additional interest as may be lawfully due and owing.

DATED: Albany, New York

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