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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MORRIS SALIT

FOR REVISION OR REFUND OF UNINCORPORATED: BUSINESS TAXES UNDER ARTICLE 16-A OF THE: TAX LAW FOR THE YEARS 1956 AND 1957 :

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(4) That petitioner holds no academic engineering degrees and is not licensed as a professional engineer by the New York State Department of Education.

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DATED: Albany, New York, this 2nd day of

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