of

Van Den Bout Associates,

A Partnership

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or
a Refund of Unincorporated Business
Taxes under Article(s) 16-A of the
Tax Law for the (Year(s) f/y/e June 30,

1958, 1959 & 1960

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State of New York County of Albany

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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.

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Sworn to before me this

12th day of April , 1971

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of

Milton C. Van Den Bout & Ellsworth G. Van Den Bout

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115 Maple Avenue
Palmyra, New York

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STATE OF NEW YORK

## STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application

of

MILTON C. VAN DEN BOUT & ELLSWORTH G. VAN DEN BOUT

DETERMINATION

for revision or refund of Personal Income Taxes under Article 16 of the Tax Law for the years 1957, 1959, and 1960.

In the Matter of the Application

of

VAN DEN BOUT ASSOCIATES, A Partnership:

DETERMINATION

for revision or refund of Unincorporated Business Taxes under Article 16-A of the Tax Law for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1958, 1959 and 1960.

Taxpayers applied for revision or refund of Personal Income
Taxes under Article 16, and Unincorporated Business Taxes under
Article 16-A of the Tax Law for the above listed years. A formal
hearing was held before Vincent P. Molineaux, Hearing Officer, in
the offices of the State Tax Commission in the City of Rochester,
on September 22, 1965. The taxpayers were represented by Bernard
P. Birnbaum, Esq.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The issue in this case is whether deductions claimed by the partnership and individual taxpayers for amortization of a covenant "not-to-compete" were valid deductions under Articles 16 and 16-A of the Tax Law.
- 2. The above partnership is an insurance agency which formerly operated under the name of The Henry E. Mitchell Agency, a partnership consisting of the two applicants and Henry E. Mitchell.

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- 3. By agreement, this partnership had an agreed upon value of \$70,000.00. By June 30, 1956 the Van Den Bouts had purchased Mr. Mitchell's entire interest, dissolved the partnership and established the partnership of Van Den Bout Associates.
- 4. The above 1952 agreement contained a covenant "not-to-compete" which read as follows:

"Any partner who withdraws pursuant to this provision shall not engage within five (5) years after his withdrawal as a partner, in the insurance business either directly or indirectly, within twenty-five (25) miles of Palmyra, New York, and shall not solicit any insurance business..."

There is no value placed upon this covenant "not-to-compete."

- 5. The new partnership of Van Den Bout Associates began amortizing as a deduction the above valuation of \$70,000.00 over a five year period as the cost of the covenant "not-to-compete."
- 6. On September 7, 1962, the following notices of additional assessments were issued based upon a determination disallowing a deduction described as amortization of a covenant "not-to-compete" as no value was assigned to such agreement.

NAME	ASSESSMENT NO.	YEAR	AMOUNT
MILTON C. VAN DEN BOUT	FA95782	1957	\$465.37
II	FA95783	1959	641.70
11	FA95784	1960	425.10
ELLISWORTH G. VAN DEN BOUT	FA95785	1957	475.61
П	FA95786	1959	566.71
tt.	FA95787	1960	389.84
VAN DEN BOUT ASSOCIATES	FA95779	f/y/e 6/30/58	448.00
11	FA95 <b>7</b> 80	f/y/e 6/30/59	448.00
Ħ	FA95781	f/y/e 6/30/60	505.40

## DETERMINATION

- A. The cost of the covenant 'hot-to-compete" in the 1952 partnership agreement is not severable from any cost of good will paid by the taxpayers.
- B. The aggregate sum of \$70,000.00 paid by the applicants to Henry E. Mitchell represents their purchase of proprietary interests in the Henry E. Mitchell Agency, a partnership. As such, it is not subject to amortization for income tax purposes.

The applications are, therefore, denied and the additional assessments sustained, together with such interest as may be lawfully due.

DATED: Albany, New York

april 12, 1971

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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