In the Matter of the Petition

of

JULES & MOLLIE LEVENSTEIN

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

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Unincorporated Business. Taxes under Article(s) 23 of the Tax Law for the (Year(s) 1961 and 1962.

State of New York County of Albany

Lynn Wilson , 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 21st day of March , 1972 , she served the within
Notice of Decision (or Determination) by (certified) mail upon JULES & MOLLIE
LEVENSTEIN (representative of) the petitioner in the within
proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid
wrapper addressed as follows: Jules and Mollie Levenstein
450 West End Avenue
New York, New York

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

21st day of March , 1972

Jynn Wilson

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Bayside, New York

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Albany, New York

March 21, 1972

Jules and Mollie Levenstein 450 West End Avenue New York, New York

Dear Sir and Madam

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

of

Please take further notice that pursuant to section 722
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,

L. Robert Leisner

HEARING OFFICER

cc Petitioner's Representative Law Bureau In the Matter of the Petition

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DECISION

for a Redetermination of a Deficiency or : for Refund of Unincorporated Business : Taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law : for the Year 1961 and 1962.

Jules and Mollie Levenstein petitioned for a redetermination of a deficiency in unincorporated business taxes for the years 1961 and 1962. A formal hearing was held before L. Robert Leisner, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, 80 Centre Street, New York, New York, on December 1, 1970. Petitioners were represented by Herbert J. Hirschhorn, Esq. The Income Tax Bureau was represented by Edward H. Best, Esq., (Albert J. Rossi, Esq., of Counsel).

ISSUES

- I. Were the activities of Jules Levenstein as a salesman subject to unincorporated business taxes?
- II. Is Mollie Levenstein, his wife, liable for unincorporated business taxes?

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioners, Jules Levenstein and Mollie Levenstein, timely filed New York State income tax returns, but did not file New York State unincorporated business tax returns for the years 1961 and 1962.
- 2. Notices of determinations of deficiency in unincorporated business tax were issued on May 18, 1965, under File No. 1-4933705 against Jules Levenstein for the year 1961, and on March 29, 1965, against petitioners under File No. 2-3804708 for the year 1962.
- 3. The Income Tax Bureau determined that Jules Levenstein's activities as a salesman were subject to unincorporated business

tax for the years 1961 and 1962.

- 4. The petition for redetermination of the deficiencies was timely filed.
- 5. Mollie Levenstein did not take part in any unincorporated business during 1961 and 1962.
- 6. In 1961 and 1962, petitioner, Jules Levenstein, was a salesman for Silvray-litecraft Corporation and the Simes Company. In 1962, he also represented Inter Monarch Company. The lines were noncompeting. Petitioner went to the offices of the concerns he represented, or called in and was told what calls to make. He reported the results of his call within a day or two. Petitioner had no stationery and no phone listing. All correspondence and calls were directed to the concerns the petitioner represented.
- 7. During one year in issue for example, Jules Levenstein filed a business Schedule "C" as part of his Federal tax return deducting office expense of \$1,024.50, telephone expense of \$419.20, display expense of \$1,600 and commissions of \$1,400. The expenses were not reimbursed by any concerns he represented.
- 8. Orders were accepted by the companies, credit was passed upon by the companies and billings were made by them. Petitioner was paid on a commission basis, and he received no pay unless he made sales. The companies did not deduct social security or withholding taxes.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. The sales activities and the commissions of Jules Levenstein in 1961 and 1962 were subject to unincorporated business tax.
- B. Mollie Levenstein was not engaged in an unincorporated business in 1961 and 1962 and she has no liability for any unincorporated business tax.
- C. It is determined that there is no deficiency against Mollie Levenstein.
- D. The petition is in all other respects denied, and the determinations of deficiencies against Jules Levenstein are sustained.

E. Pursuant to the Tax Law, interest shall be added to the total amount due until paid.

DATED: Albany, New York March 21, 1972 STATE TAX COMMISSION