In the Matter of the Petition

of

GEORGE JACOBS (Deceased)

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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) 1965 :

State of New York County of Albany

Martha Funaro , 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 lst day of October , 19 73, she served the within Notice of Decision (or Determination) by (certified) mail upon Lina Jacobs

(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mrs. Lina Jacobs

11 Stetner Street
Spring Valley, New York 10977

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

1st day of October ,1973.

Jartha Dinaro



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Dated: Albany, New York

October 1, 1973

Mrs. Lina Jacobs 11 Stetner Street Spring Villey, New York 10977

Dear Mrs. Jacobs:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 722 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 Months from 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 relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. These will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Paul B. Coburn

Enc.

HEARING OFFICER

cc: Petitioner's Representative Law Bureau STATE OF NEW YORK

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DECISION

for Redetermination of Deficiency or for Refund of Unincorporated Business Tax under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the Year 1965.

Petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), has filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of unincorporated business tax under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the year 1965.

(File No. 46240549). A formal hearing was held before Paul B. Coburn, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, 80 Centre Street, New York, New York, on July 17, 1973, at 2:45 P.M. Petitioner appeared by his administratrix, Lina Jacobs. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Saul Heckelman, Esq., (Francis X. Boylan, Esq., of Counsel).

ISSUES

- I. Did petitioner, George Jacobs' (deceased) activities as a lingerie salesman during the year 1965 constitute the carrying on of an unincorporated business?
- II. Did petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), have reasonable cause forfailing to file a New York State unincorporated business tax return for the year 1965?

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), and his wife filed a New York State income tax resident return for the year 1965. He did not file a New York State unincorporated business tax return for said year.
- 2. On January 29, 1968, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes against petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), imposing unincorporated business tax in the sum of \$99.22 upon the income received

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New York State unincorporated business tax return for said year.

- 3. During the year 1965, petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), was a lingerie salesman. He represented five firms in the sale of said items. Two of the firms were affiliated. The products sold by him for each firm were noncompetitive. He sold their products to the same customers. He did not have an office or any employees.
- 4. During the year 1965, the firms for whom petitioner,
 George Jacobs (deceased), sold merchandise did not withhold Federal
 or New York State income taxes from the commissions paid to him.
 Two of the firms did withhold social security tax from said commissions. He was not reimbursed for his expenses. The firms for whom he sold merchandise did not exercise any substantial direction or control over his sales activities and techniques or over the time he devoted to sales, except to limit the territory in which he could sell.
- 5. Petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), was advised by the attorney for the National Council of Salesmen's Organizations that he was not required to file a New York State unincorporated business tax return for the year 1965.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That the income received by petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), from the firms that he represented during the year 1965, constituted income from his regular business of selling lingerie and not compensation as an employee exempt from the imposition of the unincorporated business tax in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703(b) of the Tax Law.
- B. That the aforesaid activities of petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), during the year 1965, constituted the carrying on of an unincorporated business and his income derived therefrom was subject

to the unincorporated business tax in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703 of the Tax Law.

- C. That petitioner, George Jacobs (deceased), had reasonable cause for failing to file a New York State unincorporated business tax return for the year 1965, and, therefore, the penalty assessed pursuant to section 685(a) of the Tax Law is waived.
- D. That the petition of George Jacobs (deceased), is granted to the extent of cancelling the penalty imposed pursuant to section 685(a) of the Tax Law for the year 1965 in the sum of \$24.80; that the Income Tax Bureau is hereby directed to accordingly modify the Notice of Deficiency issued January 29, 1968; and, that except as so granted, the petition is in all other respects denied.

DATED: Albany, New York October 1, 1973 STATE TAX COMMISSION

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