STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition

of

CONRAD L. CHRISTENSEN

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or : a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Unincorporated Business : Taxes under Article(X) 23 of the Tax Law for the Year(s) XXX Existing (5) : 1968 and 1969.

State of New York County of Albany

Bruce Batchelor , 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 the21st day of December , 1976, whe served the within Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Conrad L. Christensen

Bruce Batcheles

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed

as follows:

Mr. Conrad L. Christensen C. L. Christensen Associates Hurley, New York 12443

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 Postal Service within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the **intermediation XMEXEDS**) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (**xeptersextetive XEXED**) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

December 21, 1976

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-3850

Mr. Conrad L. Christensen C. L. Christensen Associates Hurley, New York 12443

Dear Mr. Christensen:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(3) 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.

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. They will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours, afrank J. Puesis

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Frank J. Puccia Supervisor of Small <u>Clai</u>ms Hearings

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CONRAD L. CHRISTENSEN

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or for Refund of Unincorporated Business Taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the Years 1968 and 1969.

Petitioner, Conrad L. Christensen, C. L. Christensen Associates, Hurley, New York 12443, has filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of unincorporated business taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the years 1968 and 1969. (File No. 9-38895410). A small claims hearing was held before Joseph Chyrywaty, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, State Campus, Albany, New York, on June 18, 1976, at 2:45 P.M. Petitioner appeared <u>pro se</u>. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Solomon Sies, Esq. of counsel).

DECISION

ISSUE

Was the income derived from the petitioner's activities, as a management consultant, subject to unincorporated business tax imposed under Article 23 of the Tax Law?

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner, Conrad L. Christensen, and his wife, Eleanor Christensen, filed New York State combined income tax returns for 1968 and 1969. He did not file New York State unincorporated business tax returns for said years.

2. On July 26, 1971, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Deficiency against the petitioner, Conrad L. Christensen, imposing unincorporated business

tax upon the income received by him from his activities as a management consultant during the years 1968 and 1969.

3. Petitioner, Conrad L. Christensen, attained his engineering degrees at Pratt Institute and Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. In 1939 he became a licensed New York State professional engineer. From 1939 until 1959 he was employed by various consulting engineering firms as an industrial engineer. In 1959 the petitioner formed C. L. Christensen Associates.

4. Petitioner, Conrad L. Christensen, is the Director of C. L. Christensen Associates. The petitioner provides management consulting services for private business enterprises and governmental agencies. The scope of these services include advising management in the areas of manufacturing engineering, management organization, industrial problems and economic affairs.

5. The State Tax Commission denied the petition of Conrad L. Christensen under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the years 1961, 1962 and 1963. The facts as set forth in said decision substantially parallel the facts so found herein.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the activities of petitioner, Conrad L. Christensen, as a management consultant during the years 1968 and 1969, although requiring special knowledge, did not constitute the practice of a profession exempt from the imposition of the unincorporated business tax in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703(c) of the Tax Law.

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B. That, the petition of Conrad L. Christensen is denied and the Notice of Deficiency issued July 26, 1971 is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York December 21, 1976 STATE TAX COMMISSION

PRESIDENT

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