STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition

of PETER P. MCDERMOTT & COMPANY

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

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 (x)xxxxxxxxxxxxx1966. :

State of New York County of Albany

Donna Scranton , being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of , 1976 , she served the within age, and that on the 4th day of August by (certified) mail upon Peter P. McDermott & Notice of Decision Company by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed Peter P. McDermott & Company as follows: 42 Broadway 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 Postal Service within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the krepresentative SEXENCE) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the Knepresentarkivex of the petitioner.

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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

August 4, 1976

TELEPHONE: (518)

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Peter P. McDermott & Company 42 Broadway New York, New York

GENTLEMEN:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(**M**) **733** 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,

> PAUL B. COBUEN SUPERVISING TAX HEARING OFFICER

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cc: Petitioner's Representative:

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Petitioners, Peter J. McDermott, Frank Florentino, James McDermott, et al., individually and as copartners d/b/u the firm name and style of Peter P. McDermott & Company, 42 Broadway, New York, New York, filed a petition for the redetermination of a deficiency issued April 13, 1970, in the amount of \$2,800.00, plus interest of \$503.33, for a total of \$3,303.33 in unincorporated business taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the year 1966.

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ISSUE

Whether the gain on the sale of seats on the New York Stock Exchange and the American Stock Exchange by their owners can be attributed to the partnership of which the owners were general partners at the time of the sale of such seats is the issue in this case.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Peter P. McDermott & Company of 42 Broadway, New York, New York, is a partnership doing business as a general securities broker and dealer. At one time, it had ten partners. Four partners owned memberships ("seats") on stock exchanges. Two of these seats were financed by or through the firm under "A B C" agreements. These seats appeared on the balance sheets of the firm. The other two seats were owned by John H. McDermott and Frank G. Florentino and had been financed by them without the aid of the firm.

2. The partnership agreement provides:

"Frank G. Florentino and ... severally and respectively agree to contribute to the partnership, and to allow to remain with the partnership, the use of his respective membership in the New York Stock Exchange, and each of them does further agree not to sell or otherwise dispose of or impair said membership during the term of this agreement, and agrees that, subject to the constitution, rules, regulations and practices of the New York Stock Exchange, the market value of his respective seat or the proceeds of his respective membership shall be deemed an asset of the partnership so far as may be necessary for the security and protection of the creditors of the partnership."

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5. The rules of the New York Stock Exchange provide that the proceeds of the sale of a seat must be available for the creditors of the partnership of which the member has been a partner, and must be so available for a reasonable time after such member retires as a general partner of the firm. (Rules 301,302,314). It has been stipulated that the rules of the American Stock Exchange are the same with respect to the ownership and sale of memberships.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the stock exchange seats in question were assets of the partnership for tax purposes and the gain on the sale of such seats while the owners were general partners is taxable to the partnership (Gregory & Sons, State Tax Commission June 19, 1972)

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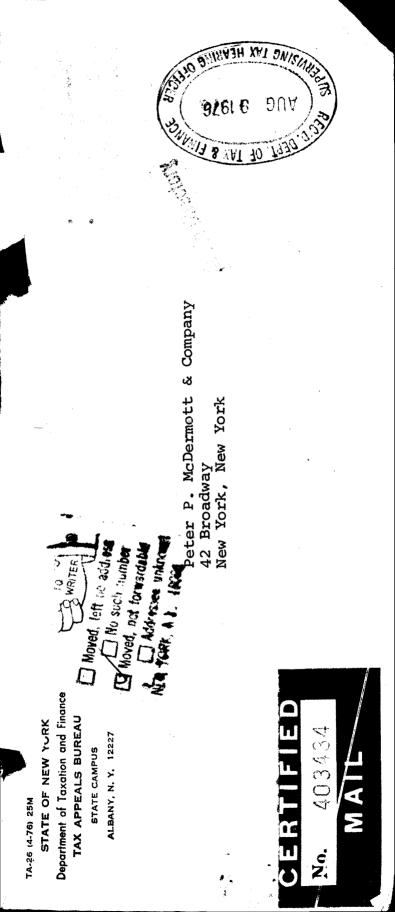
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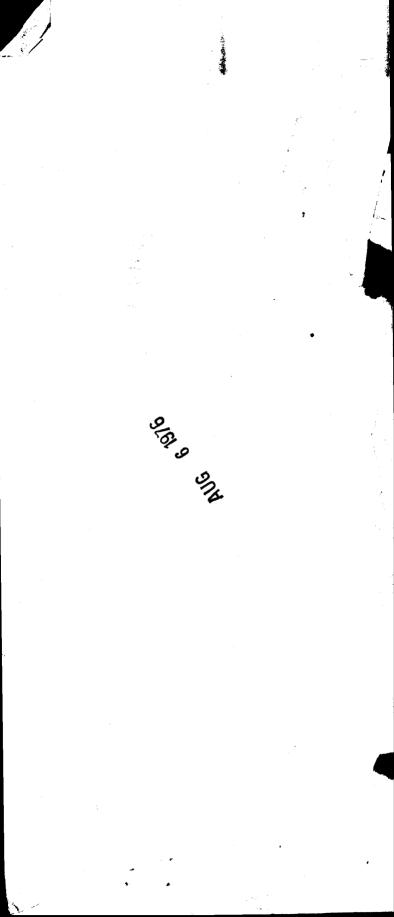
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