## STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

# In the Matter of the Petition of MONROE SEIFER For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Unincorporated Business.

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State of New York County of Albany

Taxes under Article(x) 23

Tax Law for the Year(s) 1970.

Margaret A. Groelz , 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 30th day of April , 1976, she served the within Notice of Decision (or April ) by (certified) mail upon Monroe

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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.

Brooklyn, New York

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative <sup>2</sup>OF) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of the) petitioner.

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29 Milford Lane Suffern, New York 10901

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DATED :

Albany, New York April 30, 1976 COMMISSION

MR. WRIGHT Mr. Coburn Mr. Leisner

(518) 457-3850

Mr. Monroe Seifer 80-81st Street

Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mr. Seifer:

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

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

øurs. B Coburn.

Supervising Tax HEARING OFFICER

Enc.

cc: Petitioner's Representative Law Bureau

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#### STATE OF NEW YORK

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## MONROE SEIFER

#### DECISION

For Redetermination of a Deficiency or for Refund of Unincorporated Business Tax under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the Year 1970.

Petitioner, Monroe Seifer, residing at 80-81st Street, Brooklyn, New York, 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 1970. (File No. 0-69030952).

A formal hearing was held before Nigel G. Wright, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on Thursday, December 11, 1975, at 2:20 p.m. Petitioner appeared by Arthur Hauer C.P.A. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Jr., Esq. (Michael Alexander, Esq., of counsel).

#### ISSUE

I. Did petitioner, Monroe Seifer's activities in managing real estate during the year 1970 constitute the carrying on of an unincorporated business? II. Did petitioner, Monroe Seifer, have reasonable cause for failing to file an unincorporated business tax return for the year 1970?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner, Monroe Seifer, did not file a New York State unincorporated business tax return for the year 1970.

2. On December 28, 1973, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes against petitioner, Monroe Seifer, imposing unincorporated business tax upon the income received by the petitioner from his activities in managing real estate during the year 1970. It also imposed a penalty in the sum of \$1,449.39 for failure to file an unincorporated business tax return for the year 1970. In accordance with the aforesaid Statement of Audit Changes, it issued a Notice of Deficiency in the sum of \$3716.38, to which penalty and interest were added, making a total sum due of \$5,768.31.

3. Petitioner, Monroe Seifer's business constituted managing several commercial real property buildings, hotels and motels, located in different states, in and out of the State of New York. During the year in issue, he managed properties of six real estate corporations, located in different states. Neither Federal or New York State income taxes, nor FICA, nor pension contributions were deducted from the manager's fees paid to him in 1970. He was an officer and stockholder of these corporations.

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## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the income received during 1970 by petitioner, Monroe Seifer, consisting of fees for the management of properties of real estate corporations, in which he was officer and stockholder constituted receipts from his regular business of real estate management, and not income received as an owner, lessee or fiduciary of the corporate properties in accordance with the meaning or intent of section 703(e) of the Tax Law or as an employee in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703(b) of the Tax Law.

B. That petitioner, Monroe Seifer, did not have reasonable cause for failing to file an unincorporated business tax return for the year 1970, since ignorance of the law is not considered reasonable cause, and therefore a penalty pursuant to section 685(a) of the Tax Law was properly assessed.

C. That the petition of Monroe Seifer, is denied and the Notice of Deficiency, issued on December 28, 1973, is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York April 30, 1976

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