In the Matter, of the Petition

of

CREST INSTRUMENT CO.

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

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 the 18th day of January , 1977, whe served the within Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Crest Instrument Co.

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c/o Pauline M. Orzano 2559 Esther Place

Oceanside, New York 11572 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 (representative) property petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

18th ^{day of} January

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STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

January 18, 1977

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-1723

Crest Instrument Co. c/o Pauline M. Orzano 2559 Esther Place Oceanside, New York 11572

Gentlemen:

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.

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,

Frank Puccia

Supervisor of Small

Claims Hearings

cc: Petitioner's Representative:

Taxing Bureau's Representative:

Enc.

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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DECISION

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

Petitioner, Crest Instrument Co., c/o Pauline M. Orzano, 2559
Esther Place, Oceanside, New York 11572, filed a petition for redetermination of a deficiency or for refund of unincorporated business taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the year 1968. (File No. 0995).

A small claims hearing was held October 26, 1976 at 9:15 A.M. at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, before Harry Huebsch, Hearing Officer. Petitioner, Crest Instrument Co., appeared by Yale Auerbach, C.P.A. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Abraham Schwartz, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUES

- I. Whether or not an allowance for partners' services may be claimed as a deduction on the partnership return of Crest Instrument Co. when the three partners are trusts.
- II. Can the Trustee, because of her duties as manager of Crest
 Instrument Co., be allowed a deduction for partners' services.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Crest Instrument Co. filed a 1968 partnership return in which a \$15,000.00 deduction was taken as allowance for partners' services. The partners were three trusts. The Income Tax Bureau disallowed the \$15,000.00 deduction and issued a Notice of Deficiency dated January 31, 1972, in the amount of \$825.00 additional unincorporated business tax due, plus \$138.29 interest, for a total sum of \$963.29.
- 2. John Orzano set up three trusts, one for each of his children to own and operate a machine shop. His wife, Pasqualina Orzano, was appointed Trustee of the three trusts. She rendered services as manager of the business.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That Pasqualina Orzano was not a partner of Crest Instrument Co. and, therefore, said company may not claim a deduction on its return as an allowance for partners' services because of her services rendered.
- B. That the three trust entities were not actively engaged in the unincorporated business, nor did they, or could they, render personal services for the business. That, therefore, no allowance for partners' services may be claimed in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 708(a) of the Tax Law.

C. That the petition of Crest Instrument Co. is denied and the Notice of Deficiency dated January 31, 1972 is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York January 18, 1977 STATE TAX COMMISSION

PRESIDENT

COMMISSIONER

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