In the Matter of the Petition

of

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

State of New York County of Albany

Bruce Batchelor , being duly sworn, deposes and says that

whe is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of

age, and that on the 26th day of April , 1977, whe served the within

Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Kenneth E. & Phyllis

Hill (xepressantexivexis) the petitioner in the within proceeding,

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

as follows:

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth E. Hill

RD #2, Sagetown Road

Pine City, New York 14871

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 saxxive) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative saxxive) petitioner.

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26th day of April

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(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding,
by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed

as follows:

Edgar Denton, Esq.

Denton, Moseson & Keyser 200 William Street Elmira, New York 14901

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## STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227 ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

April 26, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518) 487-1723

Mr. 4 Mrs. Kenneth B. Hill RD #2, Sagetown Roed Pine City, New York 14871

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Mill:

Please take notice of the passes of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(2) 722 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 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 J. Puccia

Supervisor of Small

Claims Mearings

cc: Petitioner's Representative:

Taxing Bureau's Representative:

Enc.

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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KENNETH E. and PHYLLIS HILL

DECISION

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

Petitioners, Kenneth E. and Phyllis Hill, residing at RD #2, Sagetown Road, Pine City, New York 14871, have filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of unincorporated business taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the year 1968. (File No. 8-12201840).

A small claims hearing was held before Harry Huebsch, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Governmental Civic Center, 44 Hawley Street, Binghamton, New York, on October 20, 1976, at 10:45 A.M. Petitioners appeared with their representative Edgar Denton, Esq. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Richard Kaufman, Esq., of counsel).

## ISSUE

Were the services rendered by petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill, as an employee of Bedzyk-Hill Electric Co., Inc. during the year 1968, so interrelated and integrated with his activities in connection with his unincorporated business, Hill Electric, as to constitute part of a business regularly carried on by him?

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioners, Kenneth E. and Phyllis Hill, filed a New York State combined personal income tax return for 1968. Petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill, also filed an unincorporated business tax return for said year in which he omitted salary income received from Bedzyk-Hill Electric Co., Inc. The Income Tax Bureau held that this salary income was business connected and therefore subject to unincorporated business tax. A Notice of Deficiency was issued July 31, 1972, in the amount of \$470.45 additional unincorporated business tax due, plus \$92.98 interest, for a sum of \$563.43.
- 2. Petitioners, Kenneth E. and Phyllis Hill, paid this amount plus additional accrued interest for a total sum of \$615.43, and filed a claim for credit or refund. The Income Tax Bureau denied the claim on August 25, 1975.
- 3. Petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill, was an officer of Bedzyk-Hill Electric Co., Inc., which was located in Elmira, New York. He was also the sole proprietor of Hill Electric which he operated from his home in New City, New York.
- 4. Bedzyk-Hill Electric Co., Inc. and Hill Electric had separate bank accounts, separate sets of accounting books, separate and different type employees and separate telephone listings. The corporation and the unincorporated business were located in different cities and were not involved with each other in any manner. The corporation had its own bookkeeper, it used its own specialized equipment and electrical installations were made only in large new construction projects such as a hospital and an airport.

Petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill, supervised the work at the project sites and worked regular hours daily. He was covered by workmens compensation by the corporation. He was issued a wage and tax statement and deductions were made from his compensation for social security, Federal and New York State taxes.

5. Petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill's unincorporated business had two employees. In the morning, before leaving for work at the corporation, petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill, assigned the days duties to his employees. Their work consisted of minor electrical repairs and wiring in private homes. The employees used their own tools. Petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill's wife rendered services as to bookkeeping and telephone calls.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That the services rendered by petitioner, Kenneth E. Hill, as an officer and employee of Bedzyk-Hill Electric Co., Inc. during the year 1968 were not so integrated and interrelated with his activities in connection with his unincorporated business, Hill Electric, so as to constitute part of a business regularly carried on by him; and therefore, the salary received by him as an officer of said corporation was 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, Kenneth E. Hill, as an officer of Bedzyk-Hill Electric Co., Inc. during the year 1968 did

not constitute the carrying on of an unincorporated business, and his income derived therefrom was not subject to the unincorporated business tax in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703 of the Tax Law.

C. That the petition of Kenneth E. and Phyllis Hill for refund of unincorporated business tax paid is granted, and the Income Tax Bureau is directed to refund the amount of \$615.43 paid plus any interest lawfully due and owing.

DATED: Albany, New York April 26, 1977

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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