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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) <u>xex Regulation</u> 1969 and 1970

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 25th day of May , 1977, she served the within Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon A. Douglas Kragh

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

as follows: Mr. A. Douglas Kragh 115 Wappanocca Avenue Rye, New York 10580

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.

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Sworn to before me this

25th day of May , 1977.

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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: Mr. Hanns Ronis 132 West Boston Post Road Mamaroneck, New Jersey

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 of the) 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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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

May 25, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518)457-1723

Mr. A. Douglas Kragh 115 Wappanossa Avenue Rys, New York 10580

Dear Mr. Kragh:

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, PUCCIA

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cc:

Supervisor of Small Claims Hearings

Petitioner's Representative: Mr. Hanns Ronis 132 West Boston Post Road Manaromeek, New Jersey Taxing Bureau's Representative:

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Petitioner, A. Douglas Kragh, residing at 115 Wappanocca Avenue, Rye, New York 10580, has filed a petition for redetermination of a deficiency or for refund of unincorporated business taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the years 1969 and 1970 (File Nos. 00172 and 14665).

A small claims hearing was held before Philip Mercurio, Small Claims Hearing Officer, on September 20, 1976 at 9:15 A.M. at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York. The petitioner appeared by Hanns Ronis. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Abraham Schwartz, Esq. of counsel).

ISSUES

I. Whether the petitioner's activities were that of an architect, a profession exempt from the unincorporated business tax for the years 1969 and 1970.

II. Whether the petitioner, A. Douglas Kragh, had reasonable cause for failing to file unincorporated business tax returns for the years 1969 and 1970.

FINDINGS OF FACT & CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The petitioner, A. Douglas Kragh's work consisted of industrial interior design and space planning. He attended college at Columbia University, School of Architecture, during the years 1926, 1927 and 1928. He did not receive a degree and is not licensed by the State of New York.

2. That capital was not a material income producing factor and more than 80 percent of his income was derived from services rendered by the petitioner.

3. Petitioner was advised by his accountant that he was not required to file New York State unincorporated business tax returns for the years 1969 and 1970.

4. The activities performed by the petitioner, for the years 1969 and 1970, although requiring special knowledge and experience, 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.

5. The petitioner had reasonable cause for failing to file New York State unincorporated business tax returns for the years 1969 and 1970, and therefore the penalties assessed pursuant to sections 685(a)(1) and (a)(2) of the Tax Law are waived. 6. The petition of A. Douglas Kragh is granted to the extent of cancelling the penalties imposed in the sum of \$157.56 for the years 1969 and 1970; that the Income Tax Bureau is hereby directed to accordingly modify the Notice of Deficiency issued January 29, 1973; and, that except as so granted, the petition is in all other respects denied.

DATED: Albany, New York May 25, 1977 STATE TAX COMMISSION