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State of New York County of Albany

Marsina Donnini , 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 15th day of July , 1977, she served the within Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Norman Martin

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

as follows: Mr. Norman Martin 270 West End Avenue 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.

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State of New York County of Albany

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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: Howard Tanenbaum, Accountant 3293 Bertha Drive Baldwin, New York 11510

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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JAMES H. TULLY JR., PRESIDENT MILTON KOERNER THOMAS H. LYNCH STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION TAX APPEALS BUREAU ALBANY, NEW YORK 12227 July 15, 1977

Mr. Norman Martin 270 West End Avenue New York, New York

# Dear Mr. Martin:

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

You have now exhausted your right of review at the administrative level. Pursuant to section(X) 690 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision by the State Tax Commission can only be instituted under Article 78 of the Civil Practice Laws and Rules, and must be commenced in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Albany County, within 4 Monthe from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision may be addressed to the Deputy Commissioner and Counsel to the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, Albany, New York 12227. Said inquiries will be referred to the proper authority for reply.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH CHIRIWATY Hearing Examiner

# cc: Petitioner's Representative

Taxing Bureau's Representative

# STATE OF NEW YORK

Years 1970 and 1971.

### STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of NORMAN MARTIN for Redetermination of Deficiency or for Refund of Unincorporated Business Taxes

under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the

DECISION

Petitioner, Norman Martin, 270 West End Avenue, New York, New York, has filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of unincorporated business taxes under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the years 1970 and 1971. (File No. 1-86601316). A small claims hearing was held before Joseph Chyrywaty, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on October 26, 1976 at 2:45 P.M. Petitioner appeared by Howard Tanenbaum, Accountant. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Frank Levitt, Esq. of counsel).

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### <u>ISSUE</u>

Was the income derived from the petitioner, Norman Martin's activities as a writer, composer and lyricist during the years 1970 and 1971 subject to the unincorporated business tax? - 2 -

### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Petitioner, Norman Martin, was a writer, composer and lyricist during the years in issue. His activities during these years included writing songs, writing stage shows, producing and writing commercials for television.

2. During 1970 and 1971, the petitioner earned \$8,913.68 and \$57,342.68, respectively from his activities as a producer and writer of television commercials. The remainder of his income for these years was earned writing songs and writing stage shows.

3. That the activities of petitioner, Norman Martin, which include writing and producing commercials for television did not constitute the practice of a profession exempt from the imposition of unincorporated business tax in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703(c) of the Tax Law and that the income derived therefrom is subject to the unincorporated business tax. During 1970 and 1971 the petitioner incurred expenses of \$3,712.59 and \$33,932.00 respectively, attributable to his activities as a producer and writer of television commercials.

4. That the activities of petitioner, Norman Martin, as a writer, composer and lyricist which include the writing of songs and writing of stage shows during the years 1970 and 1971 constitute the practice of a profession which is exempt from the unincorporated business tax under section 703(c) of the Tax Law.

5. That the petition of Norman is granted to the extent that only income derived from writing and producing television commercials in the amounts of \$8,913.68 and \$57,342.68 for the years 1970 and 1971, respectively is subject to the unincorporated business tax; that business expenses incurred during 1970 in the sum of \$3,712.59 and during 1971 in the sum of \$33,932.00 are allowable business expenses for unincorporated business tax purposes; that the Income Tax Bureau is hereby directed to accordingly modify the Notice of Deficiency issued May 19, 1975; and, that except as so granted, the petition is in all other respects denied.

DATED: Albany, New York July 15, 1977

STATE TAX COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER