In the Matter of the Petition

of

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

MARVIN and JOAN MORRIS

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Unincorporated Business
Taxes under Article (\$) 23 of the Tax Law for the Year(s) **EXELUTION**
1968, 1969 and 1970.

State of New York County of Albany

John Huhn , being duly sworn, deposes and says that the is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 15th day of September , 1977, the served the within Notice of Decision by (certified) mail upon Marvin & Joan Morris

(EMPRENDICATION (IN THE NUMBER)) the petitioner in the within proceeding,

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

as follows:

Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Morris
2986 Holiday Park Drive
Merrick, L.I., New York 11566

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.

Sworn to before me this

15th day of September , 1977.

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John Huhn

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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 Mr. Ely Amer as follows:

913 Stratford Court Westbury, 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.

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
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THOMAS H. LYNCH

STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION TAX APPEALS BUREAU ALBANY, NEW YORK 12227

September 15, 1977

Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Morris 2986 Holiday Park Drive Marrick, L.I., New York 11566

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Morris:

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 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 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 Chysyraty Hearing Exeminer

cc: Petitioner's Representative

Taxing Bureau's Representative

STATE OF NEW YORK

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 Years 1968, 1969 and 1970.

Petitioners, Marvin and Joan Morris, residing at 2986
Holiday Park Drive, Merrick, Long Island, New York 11566,
have 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 1968, 1969 and 1970. (File No. 13325).

A small claims hearing was held before William Valcarcel, Small Claims Hearing Officer, on October 21, 1976 at 9:15 A.M. at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York. The petitioners appeared by Mr. Ely Amer. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Irwin A. Levy, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUE

Whether the income derived from the petitioner's activities as a salesman, during the years 1968, 1969 and 1970, is subject to the unincorporated business tax.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Petitioner, Marvin Morris, was a full-time salesman for Springfield Equities, Ltd. during 1969 and 1970.
- 2. Springfield Equities, Ltd. was a mortgage lending institution which hired the petitioner to solicit mortgage applications from real estate brokers, attorneys and speculators.
- 3. Petitioner was required to render services on a fulltime basis, five days a week. He was also required to attend weekly sales meetings and to report by telephone on a daily basis.
- 4. Petitioner's activities were restricted to the Borough of Brooklyn in New York City and he was prohibited from soliciting for other mortgage lending firms.
- 5. Petitioner was provided with business cards and was paid \$25.00 per week as an expense allowance.
- 6. Commission income of \$17,098.00 was earned by the petitioner during 1969 from his activities as a salesman for Springfield Equities, Ltd. In addition, petitioner received \$2,000.00 in finders fees from various real estate investors for giving them leads on four houses that were for sale.

- 7. Commission income of \$19,005.00 was earned by the petitioner during 1970 from his activities as a salesman for Springfield Equities, Ltd. In addition, petitioner received \$8,750.00 in interest payments from loans made to Host Enterprises, Inc.
- 8. Although the tax year 1968 was included in the Notice of Deficiency issued November 26, 1973, income from the petitioner's activities during 1968 was not sufficient to generate an unincorporated business tax liability and accordingly, no information was submitted by either party for that year.
- 9. That sufficient direction and control was exercised by Springfield Equities, Ltd. to create an employee-employer relationship within the meaning and intent of former regulation section 20 NYCRR 281.3. Accordingly, the petitioner's income from his mortgage soliciting activities is not subject to the unincorporated business tax in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tax Law.
- 10. That the finders fees received in 1969, and the interest payments received in 1970, were isolated and incidental transactions and do not constitute the carrying on of an unincorporated business in accordance with the meaning and intent of section 703(a) of the Tax Law.

11. That the petition of Marvin and Joan Morris is granted and the Notice of Deficiency issued November 26, 1973 is cancelled.

DATED: Albany, New York

September 1, 1977

STATE TAX COMMISSION

RESIDENT

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER