In the Matter of the Petition

of FREDERICK C. WHALEY and E. HELEN WHALEY, individually and as co-partners of For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or : a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Unincorporated Business 23 Taxes under Article(x) of the 

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State of New York County of Albany

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Notice of Decision

by (certified) mail upon Frederick C. Whaley &

E. Helen Whaley(representativex st) the petitioner in the within proceeding,

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed Frederick C. Whaley & E. Helen Whaley

as follows:

Individually & as co-partners of

F. C. Whaley & Company

Post Office Box G

Syosset, New York 11791 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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#### TAX APPEALS BUREAU

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

June 7, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-1723

Frederick C. Whaley & E. Helen Whaley Individually & as co-partners of F. C. Whaley & Company Post Office Box G Syosset, New York 11791

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

Paul B. Coburn

Supervising Tax

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DECISION

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or for Refund of Unincorporated Business Tax under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the Year 1970.

Petitioners, Frederick C. Whaley and E. Helen Whaley,
Post Office Box G, Syosset, New York 11791, individually
and as co-partners of F. C. Whaley & Company, filed a petition
for redetermination of a deficiency or for refund of unincorporated
business tax under Article 23 of the Tax Law for the year 1970.

(File No. 00001193).

A formal hearing was held before Michael Alexander, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York on July 30, 1976 at 9:00 A.M. Petitioners appeared by Gary Lakin, Esq. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq. (Arthur Rosen, Esq. of counsel).

## ISSUE

Whether the gain on the sale of a seat on the New York

Stock Exchange by its owner can be attributed to the partnership, of which the owner of the seat was a partner, or to
him individually, for purposes of unincorporated business tax
liability.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner, F. C. Whaley & Co., filed a New York State Partnership return for the year 1970. The gain on the sale of a New York Stock Exchange seat was not mentioned therein.
- 2. On August 27, 1973, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes to Frederick C. Whaley and E. Helen Whaley, individually and as co-partners doing business as F. C. Whaley & Company, stating unincorporated business tax due in the sum of \$712.05, plus interest of \$101.09 to that date. The basis for the tax was stated to be the gain from the sale or disposition of a stock exchange seat which was an asset of the business. Accordingly, a Notice of Deficiency dated August 27, 1973 was issued.
- 3. Petitioner, Frederick C. Whaley, purchased a seat on the New York Stock Exchange on April 7, 1932 for \$126,753.16. He used that seat in business as a Stock Specialist and as a partner in the partnership of F. C. Whaley & Company, until his

retirement on July 1, 1968. The sole partners in that partnership for the years 1963 through 1970 were petitioners, Frederick C. Whaley and his wife, E. Helen Whaley.

- 4. During the years 1963 through 1970, the only salary paid by the partnership was paid to petitioner, Frederick C. Whaley. During the years 1967 through 1970, the partnership balance sheets do not indicate the seat as an asset of the partnership. The partnership did pay registration fees and dues on the stock exchange seat through 1968, but did not list such deductions for the years 1969 and 1970.
- 5. After petitioner, Frederick C. Whaley's retirement, the returns of F. C. Whaley & Company showed minimal income from commissions and no unincorporated business tax due for 1969 and 1970.
- 6. On July 31, 1970, the stock exchange seat was sold for \$148,000.00 and the resulting capital gain was reported on the joint personal income tax returns of petitioners, Frederick C. Whaley and E. Helen Whaley.

# CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the stock exchange seat owned by petitioner, Frederick C. Whaley, was not being used in the business of the partnership F. C.Whaley & Company at the time of the sale, nor was it being used in business by petitioners, Frederick C. Whaley and E. Helen Whaley, at the time of the sale.

B. That petitioners are not subject to unincorporated business tax in 1970 on the sale by Frederick C. Whaley of the stock exchange seat and, therefore, the deficiency is erroneous in its entirety and is cancelled.

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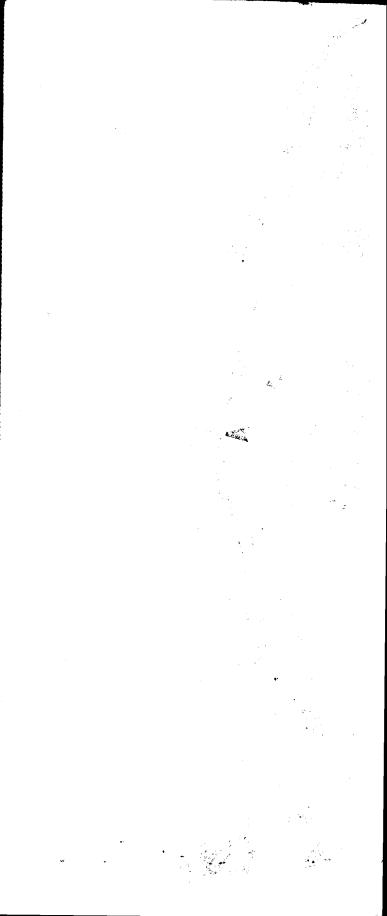
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