

**BEFORE THE TAX COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

In the Matter of the Protest of	)	
	)	DOCKET NO. 20787
[REDACTED],	)	
	)	DECISION
Petitioners.	)	
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On October 4, 2007, the Tax Discovery Bureau (Bureau) of the Idaho State Tax Commission issued a Notice of Deficiency Determination (NODD) to [Redacted] (taxpayers) proposing income tax, penalty, and interest for tax year 2005 in the total amount of \$2,542.

The taxpayers filed a timely protest. They did not submit additional information or request an informal conference. The Tax Commission, having reviewed the file, hereby issues its decision based upon the information contained in the file.

When the Bureau could find no record of the taxpayer's 2005 Idaho individual income tax returns, the taxpayers were sent a letter advising them of the missing returns and asking them for an explanation. The taxpayers did not respond.

The Bureau requested and received income information [Redacted]. Those records indicated the taxpayers' income for the years in question exceeded the filing requirements of Idaho Code § 63-3030.

Idaho Code § 63-3045 (1)(a) states:

**63-3045. Notice of redetermination or deficiency -- Interest.** (1) (a) If, in the case of any taxpayer, the state tax commission determines that there is a deficiency in respect of the tax imposed by this title, the state tax commission shall, immediately upon discovery thereof, send notice of such deficiency to the taxpayer by registered or certified mail or by other commercial delivery service providing proof of delivery, whichever is the most cost efficient. The notice shall be sent to the taxpayer's last address known to the state tax commission. The notice of deficiency shall be accompanied by an explanation of the

specific reason for the determination and an explanation of the taxpayer's right to appeal. Within sixty-three (63) days after such notice is mailed, the taxpayer may, at his option, file a protest in writing with the state tax commission and obtain redetermination of the deficiency.

Because the taxpayers did not file their state income tax returns, the Bureau prepared provisional returns and issued an NODD.

The taxpayers protested the NODD. The taxpayers' protest requested "additional time to work through the situation." The taxpayers stated that the 2005 return was on an older computer, and they were having trouble retrieving that information.

The Bureau sent the taxpayers a letter acknowledging their protest. They were granted two continuances. However, when the returns did not arrive as promised, their file was transferred to the Legal/Tax Policy Division of the Tax Commission for administrative review. The taxpayers did not respond to a letter advising them of their appeal rights. A follow-up letter was also sent to the taxpayers, but to date, the Tax Commission has not received the taxpayers' 2005 Idaho income tax return or any additional information.

The Idaho resident individual income tax return the Bureau prepared on behalf of the taxpayers was based on income information gleaned from the taxpayers' federal income records and the records retained by the Tax Commission.

The taxpayer's withholding of \$3,583 for 2005 was allowed to offset a portion of the Idaho income tax due. The penalty and interest additions were calculated in conformity with Idaho Code §§ 63-3045 and 63-3046.

A Notice of Deficiency Determination issued by the Idaho State Tax Commission is presumed to be accurate. Parsons v. Idaho State Tax Com'n, 110 Idaho 572 (Ct. App. 1986).

The taxpayers have provided nothing that would dissuade the Tax Commission from accepting the Bureau's determination of Idaho income and Idaho income tax for tax year 2005.

WHEREFORE, the Notice of Deficiency Determination dated October 4, 2007, is hereby APPROVED, AFFIRMED, and MADE FINAL.

IT IS ORDERED and THIS DOES ORDER that the taxpayers pay the following tax, penalty, and interest:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TAX</u>	<u>PENALTY</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2005	\$1,871	\$468	\$303	\$2,642

Interest is computed through September 14, 2008.

DEMAND for immediate payment of the foregoing amount is hereby made and given.

An explanation of the taxpayers' right to appeal this decision is enclosed.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

IDAHO STATE TAX COMMISSION

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COMMISSIONER

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, a copy of the within and foregoing DECISION was served by sending the same by United States mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to:

[REDACTED]

Receipt No.  
  
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