IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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SARARITA N CHANDLER

Claimant

APPEAL NO. 08A-UI-11573-MT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

SAGEMARK LTD HUNGRY HOBO

Employer

OC: 10/19/08 R: 04 Claimant: Appellant (1)

Section 96.5-1 - Voluntary Quit

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Claimant filed an appeal from a decision of a representative dated December 5, 2008, reference 03, which held claimant not eligible for benefits. After due notice, a telephone conference hearing was scheduled for and held on December 23, 2008. Employer participated by Carol Kahl, Director of Human Resources. Claimant responded to the hearing notice and did not participate, as she was not at the number provided to the Appeals Bureau.

ISSUE:

The issue in this matter is whether claimant quit for good cause attributable to employer.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and having considered all of the evidence in the record, finds: Claimant last worked for employer on November 28, 2008. Claimant quit after receiving a reprimand. Claimant told the employer she was quitting. Employer accepted the resignation. Claimant later came back to try to get her job back but employer refused the effort.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The administrative law judge holds that the evidence has failed to establish that claimant voluntarily quit for good cause attributable to employer when claimant terminated the employment relationship because of a reprimand. This is a personal reason for a quit. Benefits withheld.

Iowa Code section 96.5-1 provides:

An individual shall be disqualified for benefits:

1. Voluntary quitting. If the individual has left work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the individual's employer, if so found by the department.

871 IAC 24.25(28) provides:

Voluntary quit without good cause. In general, a voluntary quit means discontinuing the employment because the employee no longer desires to remain in the relationship of an employee with the employer from whom the employee has separated. The employer has the burden of proving that the claimant is disqualified for benefits pursuant to lowa Code section 96.5. However, the claimant has the initial burden to produce evidence that the claimant is not disqualified for benefits in cases involving lowa Code section 96.5, subsection (1), paragraphs "a" through "i," and subsection 10. The following reasons for a voluntary quit shall be presumed to be without good cause attributable to the employer:

(28) The claimant left after being reprimanded.

DECISION:

The decision of the representative dated December 5, 2008, reference 03, is affirmed. Unemployment insurance benefits shall be withheld until claimant has worked in and been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times claimant's weekly benefit amount, provided claimant is otherwise eligible.

Marlon Mormann Administrative Law Judge	
Decision Dated and Mailed	

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