

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS**

68-0157 (9-06) - 3091078 - EI

DEBORAH M GRAHAM
Claimant

APPEAL NO. 07A-UI-10572-S2T

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
DECISION**

**IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**OC: 09/23/07 R: 03
Claimant: Appellant (2)**

Section 96.3-7 - Recovery of Overpayment of Benefits

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed a representative's decision dated November 13, 2007, reference 04, that concluded she was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits as a result of a disqualification decision. A hearing was not deemed necessary to be held in order to make a decision for reasons which will appear in the Findings of Fact.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether the claimant is overpaid unemployment insurance benefits.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The claimant filed an original claim for job insurance benefits effective September 23, 2007. The employer has notified the administrative law judge that the claimant never worked for the employer. The overpayment issue in this case was created by a disqualification decision that has now been reversed.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the following reasons the administrative law judge concludes the claimant is not overpaid unemployment insurance benefits.

Iowa Code section 96.3-7 provides:

7. Recovery of overpayment of benefits. If an individual receives benefits for which the individual is subsequently determined to be ineligible, even though the individual acts in good faith and is not otherwise at fault, the benefits shall be recovered. The department in its discretion may recover the overpayment of benefits either by having a sum equal to the overpayment deducted from any future benefits payable to the individual or by having the individual pay to the department a sum equal to the overpayment.

If the department determines that an overpayment has been made, the charge for the overpayment against the employer's account shall be removed and the account shall be credited with an amount equal to the overpayment from the unemployment compensation trust fund and this credit shall include both contributory and reimbursable employers, notwithstanding section 96.8, subsection 5.

The administrative law judge concludes that the claimant was not overpaid unemployment insurance benefits pursuant to Iowa Code section 96.3-7 as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has now been reversed.

DECISION:

The decision of the representative dated November 13, 2007, reference 04, is reversed. The claimant was not overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$347.00.

Beth A. Scheetz
Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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