

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

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**TEARA N DOWELL**  
Claimant

**RIVERBEND HOLDINGS LLC**  
Employer

**APPEAL 21A-UI-07428-JC-T**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**OC: 10/11/20**  
**Claimant: Appellant (6)**

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Iowa Code § 96.5(7) – Receipt of Vacation Pay/PTO  
Iowa Code § 96.6(2) – Timeliness of Appeal  
Iowa Code Ch. 17A – Iowa Administrative Procedure Act  
Iowa Code Ch. 96 – Iowa Employment Security Act  
Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-26.8(1) – Withdrawal of Appeal

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

The claimant/appellant, Teara N. Dowell, filed an appeal from the December 17, 2020 (reference 01) Iowa Workforce Development (“IWD”) unemployment insurance decision that denied benefits. A telephone hearing was scheduled for May 21, 2021. At the time of the hearing, the claimant appeared personally. Teresa Brown participated on behalf of the employer. Kevin Brown, Mark McBride and Heidi Marshall were employer observers. Claimant stated she did not intend to appeal the decision referenced above, and requested to withdraw the appeal. The request to withdraw was recorded using the Appeals Bureau’s conference call software.

**ISSUE:**

Should the request to withdraw the appeal be granted?

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

The administrative law judge, having considered the evidence in the record, finds that: A request has been made by the appealing party to withdraw the appeal. The request has been recorded using the Appeals Bureau’s conference call software.

**REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-26.8(1) provides:

- (1) An appeal may be withdrawn at any time prior to the issuance of a decision upon the request of the appellant and with the approval of an administrative law judge or the manager or chief administrative law judge of the appeals bureau. Requests for

withdrawal may be made in writing or orally, provided the oral request is tape-recorded by the presiding officer.

An appeal may be dismissed upon the request of a party or in the agency's discretion when the issue or issues on appeal have been resolved in the appellant's favor.

The administrative law judge has reviewed the records and files herein and concludes that the request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal should be approved.

**The hearing scheduled for May 21, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. is cancelled.**

**DECISION:**

The unemployment insurance decision dated December 17, 2020, (reference 01) is affirmed. The request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal is approved, and the decision of the representative shall stand and remain in full force and effect.



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June 1, 2021  
Decision Dated and Mailed

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**NOTE TO CLAIMANT:** This decision determines you are not eligible for regular unemployment insurance benefits. If you disagree with this decision you may file an appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by following the instructions on the first page of this decision. Individuals who do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance benefits, but who are unemployed or continue to be unemployed for reasons related to COVID-19 may qualify for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA). **You will need to apply for PUA to determine your eligibility under the program.** Additional information on how to apply for PUA can be found at <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/pua-information>. If this decision becomes final or if you are not eligible for PUA, you may have an overpayment of benefits.

**ATTENTION:** On May 11, 2021, Governor Reynolds announced that Iowa will end its participation in federal pandemic-related unemployment benefit programs effective June 12, 2021. The last payable week for PUA in Iowa will be the week ending June 12, 2021. Additional information can be found in the press release at <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/iowa-end-participation-federal-unemployment-benefit-programs-citing-strong-labor-market-and>.

You may find information about food, housing, and other resources at <https://covidrecoveryiowa.org/> or at <https://dhs.iowa.gov/node/3250>

Iowa Finance Authority also has additional resources at <https://www.iowafinance.com/about/covid-19-ifa-recovery-assistance/>