## IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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MYRA EVANS Claimant	APPEAL NO: 20A-UI-02897-JE-T
	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION
MANPOWER INTERNATIONAL INC Employer	
	00- 03/08/20

OC: 03/08/20 Claimant: Appellant (2)

Section 96.5-2-a – Discharge/Misconduct Section 96.5(1)j – Voluntary Leaving (Temporary Employment)

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant filed a timely appeal from the April 3, 2020, reference 01, decision that denied benefits. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone conference call before Administrative Law Judge Julie Elder on May 4, 2020. The claimant participated in the hearing. The employer did not respond to the hearing notice and did not participate in the hearing.

#### ISSUE:

The issue is whether the claimant voluntarily left her employment and whether the claimant sought reassignment from the employer.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT:

The claimant was employed as a part-time cashier for Manpower last assigned at Stanley Tools for a three-day assignment from August 9, 2019 to August 12, 2019. The claimant completed the assignment. The claimant was also working part-time for Kwik Trip when Manpower called to offer her the Stanley Tools assignment and the claimant stated she was only interested in working for Manpower for a few days due to her other job.

#### **REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the claimant voluntarily left her employment with good cause attributable to the employer.

#### Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.26.(22) provides:

Voluntary quit with good cause attributable to the emplo9yer an separations not considered to be voluntary quits. The following are reasons for a claimant leaving employment with good cause attributable to the employer"

(22) The claimant was hired for a specific period of time and completed the contract of hire by working until this specific periods of time had lapsed. However, this subrule shall not apply to substitute school employees who are subject to the provisions of Iowa Code section 96.4(5) which denies benefits that are based on service in an educational

institution when the individual declines or refuses to accept a new contract or reasonable assurance of continued employment status. Under this circumstance, the substitute school employees shall be considered to have voluntarily quit employment.

Iowa Code section 96.5(1) provides:

An individual shall be disqualified for benefits, regardless of the source of the individual's wage credits:

- 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. But the individual shall not be disqualified if the department finds that:
- j. (1) The individual is a temporary employee of a temporary employment firm who notifies the temporary employment firm of completion of an employment assignment and who seeks reassignment. Failure of the individual to notify the temporary employment firm of completion of an employment assignment within three working days of the completion of each employment assignment under a contract of hire shall be deemed a voluntary quit unless the individual was not advised in writing of the duty to notify the temporary emplo8yment firm upon completion of an employment assignment or the individual had good cause for not contacting the temporary employment firm within three working days and notified the firm at the first reasonable opportunity thereafter.

(2) To show that the employee was advised in writing of the notification requirement of this paragraph, the temporary employment firm shall advise the temporary employee by requiring the temporary employee, at the time of employment with the temporary emplo9yment firm, to read and sign a document that provides a clear and concise explanation of the notification requirement and the consequences of a failure to notify. The document shall be separate from any contract of employment and a copy of the signed document shall be provided to the temporary employee.

(3) For the purposes of this paragraph:

(a) "Temporary employee" means an individual who is employed by a temporary employment firm to provide services to clients to supplement their workforce during absences, seasonal workloads, temporary skill or labor market shortages, and for special assignments and projects.

(b) "Temporary employment firm" means a person engaged in the business of employing temporary employees.

The employer has not established misconduct on the part of the claimant as defined by lowa law. The claimant completed the assignment. The remaining issue is whether the claimant sought reassignment from the employer. While the employer's policy requires employees to seek reassignment from the employer within three days after the end of the assignment, the claimant does not recall ever receiving the policy. The purpose of the statute is to provide notice to the temporary employment firm that the claimant is able and available for work. In this case, the claimant told the employer she would not be available following the three-day assignment at Stanley Tools because she was working part-time at Kwik Trip and Manpower agreed to hire her for the assignment anyway. That conversation satisfied the reason for the rule because the employer knew at that time the claimant was working for another employer.

# **DECISION:**

The April 3, 2020, reference 01, decision is reversed. The claimant's separation from employment was attributable to the employer. Benefits are allowed provided the claimant is otherwise eligible.

Julie Elder

Julie Elder Administrative Law Judge

May 5, 2020 Decision Dated and Mailed

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