# IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

JONATHAN ISAACMAN Claimant **APPEAL 21A-UI-11536-ED-T** 

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 12/06/20

Claimant: Appellant (1)

Iowa Code 96.3(7)

# STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

On April 30, 2021, the claimant Jonathan Isaacman appealed the April 14, 2021, (reference 09) decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid regular state unemployment benefits in the amount of \$1,850.00 for the 4-week period ending January 30, 2021. A telephone hearing was held at 9:05 a.m. on July 13, 2021, pursuant to due notice and was consolidated with the hearing for 21A-UI-11535-ED-T. The claimant, Jonathan Isaacman, participated. No exhibits were offered or admitted. The administrative law judge took official notice of the administrative record.

# **ISSUE:**

Whether claimant is overpaid regular state unemployment benefits.

# **FINDINGS OF FACT:**

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant filed for and has received regular state unemployment in the gross amount of \$1200.00 for the 4-week period ending January 30, 2021. On April 13, 2021, Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) issued a decision (reference 09) that denied claimant UI benefits. That decision has been affirmed. See 21A-UI-03975-AW-T.

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

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes:

PL 116-136, Sec. 2104 provides, in pertinent part:

- (b) Provisions of Agreement
- (1) Federal pandemic unemployment compensation.--Any agreement under this section shall provide that the State agency of the State will make payments of regular compensation to individuals in amounts and to the extent that they would be determined if the State law of the State were applied, with respect to any week for which the individual is (disregarding this section) otherwise entitled

under the State law to receive regular compensation, as if such State law had been modified in a manner such that the amount of regular compensation (including dependents' allowances) payable for any week shall be equal to

- (A) the amount determined under the State law (before the application of this paragraph), plus
- (B) an additional amount of \$600 (in this section referred to as "Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation").

. . . .

- (f) Fraud and Overpayments
- (2) Repayment.--In the case of individuals who have received amounts of Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation to which they were not entitled, the State shall require such individuals to repay the amounts of such Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation to the State agency, except that the State agency may waive such repayment if it determines that—
- (A) the payment of such Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation was without fault on the part of any such individual; and
- (B) such repayment would be contrary to equity and good conscience.

The decision that denied claimant regular unemployment insurance benefits remains in effect. Because claimant is not eligible for UI benefits, claimant is also not eligible for FPUC benefits. Therefore, claimant has received FPUC benefits to which they were not entitled. The administrative law judge concludes that claimant has been overpaid FPUC benefits in the amount outlined in the findings of fact above. Those benefits must be recovered in accordance with lowa law.

# **DECISION:**

The April 14, 2021 (reference 09) decision is affirmed. Claimant has been overpaid FPUC benefits in the amount of \$1200.00, which must be repaid.

Emily Drenkow Carr Administrative Law Judge

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July 22, 2021

**Decision Dated and Mailed** 

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# **NOTE TO CLAIMANT:**

- This decision determines you have been overpaid FPUC 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.
- You may also request a waiver of this overpayment. The written request must include the following information:
  - 1. Claimant name & address.
  - 2. Decision number/date of decision.
  - 3. Dollar amount of overpayment requested for waiver.
  - 4. Relevant facts that you feel would justify a waiver.
- The request should be sent to:

Iowa Workforce Development Overpayment waiver request 1000 East Grand Avenue Des Moines, IA 50319

- This Information can also be found on the Iowa Workforce Development website at: <a href="https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-overpayment-and-recovery">https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-overpayment-and-recovery</a>.
- If this decision becomes final and you are not eligible for a waiver, you will have to repay the benefits you received.