IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

ACHISSA MUSHIMIYIMANA Claimant

APPEAL NO. 21A-UI-03666-LJ-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 06/21/20

Claimant: Appellant (1)

Iowa Code § 96.3(7) - Recovery of Benefit Overpayment

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

On January 22, 2021, the claimant Achissa Mushimiyimana appealed the January 12, 2021, (reference 03) decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid regular unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1,694.00 for the six-week period ending August 1, 2020, as a result of a disqualification decision. A telephone hearing was held on March 19, 2021, pursuant to due notice. The claimant, Achissa Mushimiyimana, participated. The administrative law judge took official notice of the administrative record.

ISSUE:

Is the claimant overpaid benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The overpayment issue in this case was created by a disqualification decision that has now been affirmed. (See 21A-UI-03665-LJ-T) Claimant did receive benefits in the gross amount of \$1,694.00.00.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The administrative law judge concludes claimant has been overpaid benefits for the period in question.

Iowa Code § 96.3(7) provides, in pertinent part:

- 7. Recovery of overpayment of benefits.
- a. 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.

b. (1) (a) 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 has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1,694.00 pursuant to lowa Code § 96.3(7) as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has been affirmed.

DECISION:

The January 12, 2021, (reference 03) decision is affirmed. The claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the gross amount of \$1,694.00 to which she was not entitled and those benefits must be recovered in accordance with lowa law.

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March 23, 2021

Decision Dated and Mailed

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