

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
Unemployment Insurance Appeals Section
1000 East Grand—Des Moines, Iowa 50319
DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
68-0157 (7-97) – 3091078 - EI**

**VERALYNN T SCHNUR
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**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**

**Appeal Number: 04A-UI-01362-CT
OC: 01/25/04 R: 12
Claimant: Appellant (1)**

This Decision Shall Become Final, unless within fifteen (15) days from the date below, you or any interested party appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by submitting either a signed letter or a signed written Notice of Appeal, directly to the **Employment Appeal Board, 4th Floor—Lucas Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319**.

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1. The name, address and social security number of the claimant.
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3. That an appeal from such decision is being made and such appeal is signed.
4. The grounds upon which such appeal is based.

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(Administrative Law Judge)

(Decision Dated & Mailed)

Section 96.4(3) – Work Search Requirements

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Verallynn Schnur filed an appeal from a representative's decision dated February 3, 2004, reference 01, which warned that she was to make at least two job contacts each week. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone on March 1, 2004. Ms. Schnur participated personally.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony of the witness and having reviewed all the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Ms. Schnur filed a claim for job insurance benefits effective January 25, 2004 and was provided information as to the work search requirements of the law. During the week ending January 31, she made fewer than two in-person job contacts. Ms. Schnur was under the mistaken impression that she was to report job interviews rather than contacts seeking employment. Because she had only one interview during the week at issue, she only reported one job contact.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

At issue in this matter is whether the warning issued to Ms. Schnur should be rescinded. As a condition of receiving job insurance benefits, an individual must make an active and earnest search for work. See Iowa Code Section 96.4(3). This has been interpreted to mean at least two job contacts each week. Ms. Schnur was provided the necessary information as to the work search requirements. She did, in fact, fail to contact at least two employers during the week ending January 31, 2004. Therefore, the warning shall stand.

The administrative law judge notes that the decision of February 3, 2004 was only a warning and does not result in a disqualification from benefits. Should Ms. Schnur fail to make the required work search at some future point, she is subject to disqualification at that time.

DECISION:

The representative's decision dated February 3, 2004, reference 01, is hereby affirmed. Ms. Schnur is warned that she must make at least two job contacts each week in order to remain eligible for benefits.

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