

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

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**ALEXANDRA L ANDREWS**  
Claimant

**APPEAL NO. 18A-UI-01488-S1-T**

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT**

**OC: 01/29/17**  
**Claimant: Appellant (1)**

871 IAC 24.2(1)g – Retroactive Weekly Claim

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

Alexandra Andrews (claimant) appealed a representative's January 30, 2018, decision (reference 03) that denied the request for retroactive benefits for the period from December 31, 2017, through January 20, 2018. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held on February 27, 2018. The claimant participated personally.

**ISSUE:**

The issue is whether the claimant's request for retroactive unemployment insurance benefits should be denied.

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The claimant filed a claim for benefits with an effective date of January 29, 2017. On January 3, 2018, she was separated from employment and on December 31, 2017, she filed an additional claim for benefits. The instructions may have been confusing to the claimant. She did not report weekly to the agency from December 31, 2017, through January 20, 2018. She was not sure she was supposed to while having awaiting the fact finding decision on the separation. The claimant requests retroactive benefits from December 31, 2017, through January 20, 2018.

**REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the claimant's request for retroactive benefits is denied.

Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.2(1)g provides:

Procedures for workers desiring to file a claim for benefits for unemployment insurance.

(1) Section 96.6 of the employment security law of Iowa states that claims for benefits shall be made in accordance with such rules as the department prescribes. The department of workforce development accordingly prescribes:

g. No continued claim for benefits shall be allowed until the individual claiming benefits has completed a voice response continued claim or claimed benefits as otherwise directed by the department. The weekly voice response continued claim shall be transmitted not earlier than noon of the Saturday of the weekly reporting period and, unless reasonable cause can be shown for the delay, not later than close of business on the Friday following the weekly reporting period.

The claimant has not established sufficient grounds for having failed to file a weekly claim from December 31, 2017, through January 20, 2018. The claim for retroactive benefits is denied.

**DECISION:**

The representative's January 30, 2018, decision (reference 03) is affirmed. The claimant's request for retroactive benefits is denied.

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Beth A. Scheetz  
Administrative Law Judge

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Decision Dated and Mailed

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