

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

**LUKE J CRAWFORD**  
Claimant

**APPEAL NO: 22A-UI-07534-SN-T**

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**IOWA WORKFORCE  
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**OC: 03/29/20**  
**Claimant: Appellant (2)**

Iowa Code § 96.3(7) – Lost Wage Assistance (LWA)

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

The claimant, Luke J Crawford, filed an appeal from the March 22, 2022, (reference 04) unemployment insurance decision that concluded he was overpaid \$300.00 in Lost Wage Assistance (LWA) benefits. After proper notice, a telephone hearing was conducted on May 19, 2022. The hearing was held jointly with appeal 22A-UI-07533-SN-T. The claimant participated. Official notice of the administrative records was taken.

**ISSUE:**

Has the claimant been overpaid any Lost Wage Assistance (LWA) benefits?

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

The claimant filed a new claim for unemployment insurance benefits with an effective date of March 29, 2020.

The claimant filed for and received a total of \$300.00 in LWA benefits for ending August 1, 2020.

The unemployment insurance decision that disqualified the claimant from receiving unemployment insurance benefits has been reversed in a decision of the administrative law judge in appeal 22A-UI-07533-SN-T. The decision disqualified him with the reasoning he failed to report accurate wages for the week ending August 1, 2020. The claimant did report accurate zero earnings for the week ending August 1, 2020.

**REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

The issue in this case is whether the claimant was overpaid LWA benefits.

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

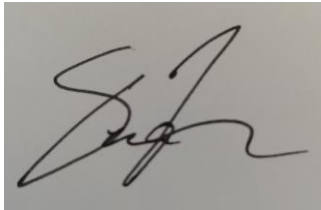
7. Recovery of overpayment of benefits.

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.

Since the decision disqualifying the claimant has been reversed, the claimant was not overpaid \$300.00 in LWA benefits. The claimant is entitled to those benefits.

**DECISION:**

The unemployment insurance decision dated March 22, 2022, (reference 04), is reversed. The claimant was not overpaid \$300.00 in LWA benefits. The claimant is entitled to the benefits he received.

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June 30, 2022  
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