IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

MAJEED J. WIES Claimant

APPEAL 22A-UI-08818-CS-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

> OC: 05/31/20 Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

On April 6, 2022, the claimant/appellant filed an appeal from the March 31, 2022, (reference 03) unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$5,954.00 as a result of a disqualification decision. The appellant was properly notified of the hearing. A telephone hearing was held on May 19, 2022. The hearing was held together with appeal 22A-UI-08819-CS-T and combined into one record. The claimant participated through CTS Language Arabic Interpreter, Suzanne (Identity No. 14796). Claimant's wife, Apyaf Khalil, was present. Administrative notice was taken of the claimant's unemployment insurance benefits records.

ISSUE:

Was the claimant overpaid benefits which must be repaid?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The claimant filed a new claim for unemployment insurance benefits with an effective date of May 31, 2020. The claimant filed for and received a total of \$5,954.00 in unemployment insurance benefits for the weeks between May 31, 2020 and August 29, 2020.

The unemployment insurance decision that disqualified the claimant from receiving unemployment insurance benefits remains in effect due to a decision of the administrative law judge in appeal 21A-UI-07705-DG-T.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons stated below the administrative law judge finds the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits.

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.

Since the decision disqualifying the claimant has been affirmed, the claimant was overpaid \$5,954.00 in unemployment insurance benefits.

DECISION:

The unemployment insurance decision dated March 31, 2022 (reference 03), is AFFIRMED. The claimant was overpaid \$5,954.00 in unemployment insurance benefits, which must be repaid.

Carly Smith

Carly Smith Administrative Law Judge

<u>__June 28, 2022</u>___

Decision Dated and Mailed

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NOTE TO CLAIMANT: This decision determines you are overpaid regular unemployment insurance 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.