

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS**

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SUZANNE R BOYLE
Claimant

APPEAL NO. 12A-UI-00195-AT

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
DECISION**

**IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**OC: 12/04/11
Claimant: Appellant (1)**

Section 96.4-4 – Second Benefit Year Earnings Requirement

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Suzanne R. Boyle filed a timely appeal from an unemployment insurance decision dated December 21, 2011, reference 01, that ruled she was not eligible for a new state unemployment insurance benefit year effective December 4, 2011 upon a finding that she had not earned and been paid insured wages of at least \$250.00 since December 5, 2010, the beginning of her previous benefit year. After due notice was issued, a telephone hearing was held February 6, 2012 with Ms. Boyle participating.

ISSUE:

Is the claimant eligible for a new state benefit year effective December 4, 2011?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Suzanne R. Boyle has received unemployment insurance benefits since filing a claim effective December 5, 2010. She has not been employed since that time.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Iowa Code § 96.4-4 imposes an additional eligibility requirement on claimants who have received unemployment insurance benefits in a prior benefit year. An individual must show continued attachment to the workforce. According to the statute, an individual demonstrates continued attachment by earning and being paid wages covered by some state's unemployment insurance system of at least \$250.00 since the beginning of the previous benefit year. Since Ms. Boyle has not been employed since December 5, 2010, she does not meet that requirement.

DECISION:

The unemployment insurance decision dated December 21, 2011, reference 01, is affirmed. The claimant is ineligible for unemployment insurance benefits at this time.

Dan Anderson
Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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