IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

KEVIN WELDON

Claimant

APPEAL 22A-UI-09016-DH-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

C2C CONSTRUCTION INC

Employer

OC: 02/07/21

Claimant: Appellant (2)

PL 116-136, Sec. 2104 - Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Kevin Weldon, claimant/appellant, appealed the April 6, 2022, (reference 02) unemployment insurance decision finding claimant was overpaid FPUC benefits in the amount of \$2,400.00 for eight weeks between February 7, 2021 and April 3, 2021, due to failing to report wages earned. Notices of hearing were mailed to the parties' last known addresses of record for a telephone hearing scheduled for May 23, 2022. Claimant personally participated. Employer, C2C Construction, Inc., participated through Brandon Utesch, owner. The following hearings were held together as part of a consolidated hearing: Appeals 22A-UI-09015-DH-T, and 22A-UI-09016-DH-T. Judicial notice was taken of the administrative record, including claimant's appeal and attachments.

ISSUES:

Is the claimant overpaid FPUC benefits which must be repaid?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony and reviewed the evidence in the record, the undersigned finds:

In Appeal 22A-UI-09015-DH-T, it was found that claimant did not fail to correctly report his wages the eight weeks between February 7, 2021 and April 3, 2021, and as such he was eligible for regular unemployment benefits for that time frame and was not overpaid benefits. This decision remains in effect and covers the same timeframe as the FPUC benefits in question here.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue in this case is whether the claimant was overpaid FPUC benefits. For the reasons that follow, it is determined that he was not.

PL 116-136 Sec 2107 provides in pertinent part:

PANDEMIC EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.

(2) PROVISIONS OF AGREEMENT. —

Any agreement under paragraph (1) shall provide that the State agency of the State will make payments of pandemic emergency unemployment compensation to individuals who—

- (A) have exhausted all rights to regular compensation under the State law or under Federal law with respect to a benefit year (excluding any benefit year that ended before July 1, 2019);
- (B) have no rights to regular compensation with respect to a week under such law or any other State unemployment compensation law or to compensation under any other Federal law:
- (C) are not receiving compensation with respect to such week under the unemployment compensation law of Canada; and
- (D) are able to work, available to work, and actively seeking work.

Since it has already been determined in 22A-UI-09015-DH-T that claimant did not fail to report wages for the same timeframe that is in question here and that they were eligible for regular unemployment benefits for the same weeks in question with no overpayment, claimant did not fail to report wages, is eligible for the FPUC received and was not overpaid FPUC.

DECISION:

The April 6, 2022, (reference 02) unemployment insurance decision is **REVERSED**. Claimant correctly report wages and was not overpaid FPUC benefits.

Darrin T. Hamilton

Administrative Law Judge

July 7, 2022

Decision Dated and Mailed

dh/abd

APPEAL RIGHTS. If you disagree with the decision, you or any interested party may:

1. Appeal to the Employment Appeal Board within fifteen (15) days of the date under the judge's signature by submitting a written appeal via mail, fax, or online to:

Employment Appeal Board 4th Floor – Lucas Building Des Moines, Iowa 50319 Fax: (515)281-7191 Online: eab.iowa.gov

The appeal period will be extended to the next business day if the last day to appeal falls on a weekend or a legal holiday. There is no filing fee to file an appeal with the Employment Appeal Board.

AN APPEAL TO THE BOARD SHALL STATE CLEARLY:

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

An Employment Appeal Board decision is final agency action. If a party disagrees with the Employment Appeal Board decision, they may file a petition for judicial review in district court.

2. If you do not file an appeal of the judge's decision with the Employment Appeal Board within fifteen (15) days, the decision becomes final agency action, and you have the option to file a petition for judicial review in District Court within thirty (30) days after the decision becomes final. Additional information on how to file a petition can be found at www.iowacourts.gov/efile. There may be a filing fee to file the petition in District Court.

Note to Parties: YOU MAY REPRESENT yourself in the appeal or obtain a lawyer or other interested party to do so provided there is no expense to Workforce Development. If you wish to be represented by a lawyer, you may obtain the services of either a private attorney or one whose services are paid for with public funds.

Note to Claimant: It is important that you file your weekly claim as directed, while this appeal is pending, to protect your continuing right to benefits.

SERVICE INFORMATION:

A true and correct copy of this decision was mailed to each of the parties listed.

DERECHOS DE APELACIÓN. Si no está de acuerdo con la decisión, usted o cualquier parte interesada puede:

1. Apelar a la Junta de Apelaciones de Empleo dentro de los quince (15) días de la fecha bajo la firma del juez presentando una apelación por escrito por correo, fax o en línea a:

Employment Appeal Board 4th Floor – Lucas Building Des Moines, Iowa 50319 Fax: (515)281-7191 En línea: eab.iowa.gov

El período de apelación se extenderá hasta el siguiente día hábil si el último día para apelar cae en fin de semana o día feriado legal. No hay tarifa de presentación para presentar una apelación ante la Junta de Apelación de Empleo.

UNA APELACIÓN A LA JUNTA DEBE ESTABLECER CLARAMENTE:

- 1) El nombre, dirección y número de seguro social del reclamante.
- 2) Una referencia a la decisión de la que se toma la apelación.
- 3) Que se interponga recurso de apelación contra tal decisión y se firme dicho recurso.
- 4) Los fundamentos en que se funda dicho recurso.

Una decisión de la Junta de Apelaciones de Empleo es una acción final de la agencia. Si una de las partes no está de acuerdo con la decisión de la Junta de Apelación de Empleo, puede presentar una petición de revisión judicial en el tribunal de distrito.

2. Si no presenta una apelación de la decisión del juez ante la Junta de Apelación de Empleo dentro de los quince (15) días, la decisión se convierte en una acción final de la agencia y tiene la opción de presentar una petición de revisión judicial en el Tribunal de Distrito dentro de los treinta (30) días. Puede encontrar información adicional sobre cómo presentar una petición en www.iowacourts.gov/efile. Puede haber una tarifa de presentación para presentar la petición en el Tribunal de Distrito.

Nota para las partes: USTED PUEDE REPRESENTARSE en la apelación u obtener un abogado u otra parte interesada para que lo haga, siempre que no haya gastos para Workforce Development. Si desea ser representado por un abogado, puede obtener los servicios de un abogado privado o uno cuyos servicios se paguen con fondos públicos.

Nota para el reclamante: es importante que presente su reclamo semanal según las instrucciones, mientras esta apelación está pendiente, para proteger su derecho continuo a los beneficios.

SERVICIO DE INFORMACIÓN:

Se envió por correo una copia fiel y correcta de esta decisión a cada una de las partes enumeradas.