IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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TRESICA M ARCEO Claimant	APPEAL NO. 12A-UI-13523-S2T
	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION
ABCM CORPORATION Employer	
	OC: 10/21/12

Claimant: Appellant (1)

Section 96.5-1 - Voluntary Quit

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Tresica Arceo (claimant) appealed a representative's November 7, 2012 decision (reference 01) that concluded she was not eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits because she voluntarily quit work with ABCM Corporation (employer). After hearing notices were mailed to the parties' last-known addresses of record, a telephone hearing was scheduled for December 12, 2012. The claimant participated personally. The employer participated by Tiffany Adams, Human Resources Coordinator.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether the claimant was separated from employment for any disqualifying reason.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The claimant was hired on May 2, 2005, as a full-time developmental assistant. On May 16, 2012, the claimant was released to work with restrictions by her physician. The claimant's last day of work was May 30, 2012. She was granted twelve weeks of Family Medical Leave (FMLA) starting May 31, 2012. On June 29, 2012, she told the employer she wanted to take her 401K money to save her home. The claimant knew she had to quit her job and lose the rest of her FMLA time. The claimant resigned effective June 29, 2012. Continued work was available had the claimant not resigned. The claimant was released to return to work without restrictions on October 15, 2012. She filed for unemployment insurance benefits on October 21, 2012.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow the administrative law judge concludes the claimant voluntarily quit work without good cause attributable to the employer.

Iowa Code section 96.5-1 provides:

An individual shall be disqualified for benefits:

1. Voluntary quitting. If the individual has left work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the individual's employer, if so found by the department.

A voluntary leaving of employment requires an intention to terminate the employment relationship accompanied by an overt act of carrying out that intention. Local Lodge #1426 v. Wilson Trailer, 289 N.W.2d 608, 612 (Iowa 1980). The claimant's intention to voluntarily leave work was evidenced by the claimant's actions. The claimant told the employer she was quitting and stopped appearing for work. There was no evidence presented at the hearing of good cause attributable to the employer. The claimant voluntarily quit without good cause attributable to the employer. Benefits are denied.

DECISION:

The representative's November 7, 2012 decision (reference 01) is affirmed. The claimant voluntarily left work without good cause attributable to the employer. Benefits are withheld until the claimant has worked in and has been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times the claimant's weekly benefit amount, provided the claimant is otherwise eligible.

Beth A. Scheetz Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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