IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

SUNSIM PARK Claimant

APPEAL 16A-UI-02474-JCT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 12/20/15 Claimant: Appellant (2)

Iowa Code § 96.4(3) – Ability to and Availability for Work Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.22(2) – Able & Available - Benefits Eligibility Conditions

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant filed a timely appeal from the February 18, 2016 (reference 02) decision that denied benefits. After due notice was issued, a hearing was scheduled to be held on March 21, 2016. Because the issue appealed was resolved administratively prior to the hearing in the appellant's favor (see the reference 03 representative's decision), no testimony was necessary and no hearing was held.

ISSUE:

Should the representative's decision be affirmed?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The decision appealed has been amended in favor of the appellant by the reference 03 representative's decision.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the representative's decision should be reversed.

Iowa Code § 96.4(3) provides:

An unemployed individual shall be eligible to receive benefits with respect to any week only if the department finds that:

3. The individual is able to work, is available for work, and is earnestly and actively seeking work. This subsection is waived if the individual is deemed partially unemployed, while employed at the individual's regular job, as defined in § 96.19, subsection 38, paragraph "b", unnumbered paragraph 1, or temporarily unemployed as

defined in § 96.19, subsection 38, paragraph "c". The work search requirements of this subsection and the disqualification requirement for failure to apply for, or to accept suitable work of § 96.5, subsection 3 are waived if the individual is not disqualified for benefits under § 96.5, subsection 1, paragraph "h".

Since the decision appealed has been amended in favor of the appellant, the original representative's decision bearing reference 02 is reversed.

DECISION:

The February 18, 2016 (reference 02) decision is reversed. Benefits are allowed, provided the claimant is otherwise eligible.

Jennifer L. Beckman Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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