IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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LINDSAY M JURRENS Claimant	APPEAL NO. 09A-UI-06218-HT
	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION
AVENTURE STAFFING & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LLC Employer	
	OC: 03/22/09 Claimant: Appellant (1)

Section 96.5(1)j – Quit/Temporary

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant, Lindsay Jurrens, filed an appeal from a decision dated April 16, 2009, reference 02. The decision disqualified her from receiving unemployment benefits. After due notice was issued a hearing was held by telephone conference call on May 18, 2009. The claimant participated on her own behalf. The employer, Aventure Staffing, participated by Office Manager Cyd Hall. Exhibit One was admitted into the record.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether the claimant quit work with good cause attributable to the employer.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Lindsay Jurrens was employed by Aventure from February 25, 2008 until March 25, 2009. At the time of hire she received, and signed, an "employee agreement" which notified her she must contact the employer within three working days of the end of each assignment to request more work. Failure to do so would be considered a voluntary quit.

Her last assignment began on January 21, 2009, at Pure Fishing for an indefinite period of time. She was notified on Friday, March 20, 2009, the assignment was over and the client company no longer needed her. Ms. Jurrens did not contact Aventure on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, March 23, 24, and 25, 2009, to request a new assignment and was considered a voluntary quit.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Iowa Code section 96.5-1-j 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, but the individual shall not be disqualified if the department finds that:

j. The individual is a temporary employee of a temporary employment firm who notifies the temporary employment firm of completion of an employment assignment and who seeks reassignment. Failure of the individual to notify the temporary employment firm of completion of an employment assignment within three working days of the completion of each employment assignment under a contract of hire shall be deemed a voluntary quit unless the individual was not advised in writing of the duty to notify the temporary employment firm upon completion of an employment assignment or the individual had good cause for not contacting the temporary employment firm within three working days and notified the firm at the first reasonable opportunity thereafter.

To show that the employee was advised in writing of the notification requirement of this paragraph, the temporary employment firm shall advise the temporary employee by requiring the temporary employee, at the time of employment with the temporary employment firm, to read and sign a document that provides a clear and concise explanation of the notification requirement and the consequences of a failure to notify. The document shall be separate from any contract of employment and a copy of the signed document shall be provided to the temporary employee.

For the purposes of this paragraph:

(1) "Temporary employee" means an individual who is employed by a temporary employment firm to provide services to clients to supplement their work force during absences, seasonal workloads, temporary skill or labor market shortages, and for special assignments and projects.

(2) "Temporary employment firm" means a person engaged in the business of employing temporary employees.

The claimant failed to contact the employer within three working days of the end of her last assignment to ask for more work. Under the provisions of the above Code section, this is a voluntary quit without good cause attributable to the employer and the claimant is disqualified.

DECISION:

The representative's decision of April 16, 2009, reference 02, is affirmed. Lindsay Jurrens is disqualified and benefits are withheld until she has earned ten times her weekly benefit amount, provided she is otherwise eligible.

Bonny G. Hendricksmeyer Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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