## IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

JONATHAN C KOHL Claimant

# APPEAL 20A-UI-14166-S1-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

> OC: 08/23/20 Claimant: Appellant (6)

Iowa Code § 96.4(3) – Available for work Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.2(1)e – Procedures for workers desiring to file a claim for benefits Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.23 (11) – Failure to Report Iowa Code § 96.4(7) – Reemployment services Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.6 – Profiling for reemployment services Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.19(3) – Claims Bureau Subsequent Action Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-26.11 – Motions

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

An appeal was filed from the October 30, 2020, reference 01 decision that denied benefits as of October 25, 2020. A hearing was scheduled for January 6, 2021. Prior to the hearing being held, it was determined that a hearing was not deemed necessary to be held in order to make a decision for reasons which will appear in the Findings of Fact.

## **ISSUE:**

The issue is whether the appeal should be dismissed due to subsequent agency action.

## FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The appeal was based upon a denial of benefits as of October 25, 2020, because the claimant did not report for a reemployment and eligibility assessment. A decision dated December 29, 2020, reference 03, the agency found the claimant eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits as of October 25, 2020, because he had participated in the assessment.

#### **REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

Generally, courts and administrative tribunals do not decide issues when the underlying controversy is moot. *Rhiner v. State*, 703 N.W.2d 174, 176 (lowa 2005). "A case is moot if it no longer presents a justiciable controversy because the issues involved are academic or nonexistent." *Iowa Bankers Ass'n v. Iowa Credit Union Dep't*, 335 N.W.2d 439, 442 (lowa 1983).

Subsequent agency action in favor of the appellant made this appeal moot. The appeal of the original representative's decision dated October 30, 2020 (reference 01) is dismissed as moot. The hearing scheduled for January 6, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. is cancelled.

#### **DECISION:**

The representative's October 30, 2020 decision (reference 01) is dismissed. The appeal is dismissed as moot.

The hearing scheduled on January 6, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. is cancelled.

Buch A. Jeken

Beth A. Scheetz Administrative Law Judge

January 25, 2021 Decision Dated and Mailed

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