IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT Unemployment Insurance Appeals Section 1000 East Grand—Des Moines, Iowa 50319 DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE 68-0157 (7-97) – 3091078 - EI

## TERESA A MICULINICH 209 – 5<sup>TH</sup> AVE SW OELWEIN IA 50662

## IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

# Appeal Number:04A-UI-00791-CTOC:01/11/04R:OLaimant:Appellant (2)

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(Administrative Law Judge)

(Decision Dated & Mailed)

Section 96.4(3) – Work Search Requirements

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Teresa Miculinich filed an appeal from a representative's decision dated January 21, 2004, reference 01, which warned that she had to make at least two in-person job contacts each week. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone on February 19, 2004. Ms. Miculinich participated personally.

# FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony of the witness and having reviewed all the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Ms. Miculinich filed a claim for job insurance benefits effective January 11, 2004 and was advised that she needed to make at least two in-person job contacts each week in order to receive benefits. During the week ending January 17, she contacted Fareway and Pamida for work. When she called in her claim, she inadvertently pushed the wrong button and indicated only one job contact for the week.

## REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

At issue in this matter is whether the work search warning issued to Ms. Miculinich should be rescinded. The law requires that an individual actively and earnestly look for work as a condition of receiving job insurance benefits. Iowa Code Section 96.4(3). Ms. Miculinich did, in fact, make the required work search during the week ending January 17, 2004. She mistakenly reported only one contact. Because she did make two in-person contacts for the week at issue, the warning shall be removed.

## DECISION:

The representative's decision dated January 21, 2004, reference 01, is hereby reversed. The work search warning issued to Ms. Miculinich is rescinded as she did make the required job contacts for the week ending January 17, 2004.

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