IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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JOHN TOSONE

Claimant

APPEAL NO: 11A-UI-09520-ET

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

DECISION

CRST VAN EXPEDITED INC

Employer

OC: 05-29-11

Claimant: Respondent (1)

871 IAC 24.19(1) – Determination and Review of Benefit Rights 871 IAC 24.28(6-8) – Prior Adjudication

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The employer filed an appeal from the July 14, 2011, reference 02, decision that allowed benefits based upon a decision in a prior benefit year for the same separation. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone conference call on August 10, 2011. The claimant participated in the hearing. Sandy Matt, human resources specialist, participated in the hearing on behalf of the employer. Employer's Exhibits One through Four were admitted into evidence.

At the conclusion of the hearing, it was discovered that there was a prior adjudication of this separation. Both parties waived their right to notice on the issue of whether the separation was adjudicated in a prior claim year.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether the separation was adjudicated in a prior claim year.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The decision at issue has been adjudicated in a prior claim year and that decision has become final.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the separation at issue has been adjudicated in a prior claim year and that decision has become final.

871 IAC 24.28(6) provides:

Voluntary quit requalifications and previously adjudicated voluntary quit issues.

(6) The claimant voluntarily left employment. However, there shall be no disqualification under lowa Code section 96.5(1) if a decision on this same separation has been made

on a prior claim by a representative of the department and such decision has become final.

871 IAC 24.19(1) provides:

Claims for benefits shall be promptly determined by the department on the basis of such facts as it may obtain. Notice of such determination shall be promptly given to each claimant and to any employer whose employment relationship with the claimant, or the claimant's separation therefrom, involves actual or potential disqualifying issues relevant to the determination. The notice of appeal rights shall state clearly the place and manner for taking an appeal from the determination and the period within which an appeal may be taken. Unless the claimant or any other such party entitled to notice, within ten days after such notification was mailed to such claimant's last-known address, files with the department a written request for a review of or an appeal from such determination, such determination shall be final.

The issue presented was resolved in a prior claim year in appeal number 10A-UI-10614-DT dated November 15, 2010. There was no further appeal of the matter and that decision has become final. The current decision omitted the fact that there was a prior claim year decision on the same separation date. The parties waived notice on that issue and therefore the decision dated July 14, 2011, is affirmed.

DECISION:

The July 14, 2011, reference 02, decision is affirmed with the addition of the previous adjudication issue. The prior decision on the separation remains in effect.

Julie Elder Administrative Law Judge	
Decision Dated and Mailed	
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