

August 11, 2005. He informed the employer that he was quitting so that he could work more hours in his other job.

The claimant called the Appeal Section at 12:40 p.m. after the hearing had concluded. He explained that he had tried to get off work over lunch but his employer would not let him leave. The claimant did not call to ask for the hearing to be postponed.

#### REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The first issue is whether the hearing should be reopened. A hearing can be reopened if a party shows good cause for not participating. When the claimant discovered that he was not going to be able to attend the hearing at the time it was scheduled, he should have contacted the Appeals Section to request a postponement. Good cause to reopen the hearing has not been proven.

The issue in this case is whether the claimant voluntarily quit employment without good cause attributable to the employer.

Iowa Code Section 96.5-1 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.

The evidence fails to show that the claimant had good cause attributable to the employer to leave employment. As a result, he is disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits.

#### DECISION:

The unemployment insurance decision dated September 29, 2005, reference 01, is affirmed. The claimant is disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits until he has been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times his weekly benefit amount, provided he is otherwise eligible.

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