IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

 ALICE PARSONS
 APPEAL NO. 10A-UI-07428-HT

 Claimant
 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

 GENESIS HEALTH SYSTEM
 Employer

OC: 04/18/10 Claimant: Appellant (1)

Section 96.5(1) - Quit

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant, Alice Parsons, filed an appeal from a decision dated May 10, 2010, reference 01. The decision disqualified her from receiving unemployment benefits. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone conference call on July 8, 2010. The claimant participated on her own behalf. The employer, Genesis, participated by Human Resources Assistant Linda Sanders.

ISSUE:

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

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Alice Parsons was employed by Genesis from October 8, 2007 until May 16, 2009 as a part-time unit assistant. She quit in order to move back to West Virginia and enter self employment. Continuing work was available to her had she not resigned.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

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.

871 IAC 24.25(2) and (19) provide:

Voluntary quit without good cause. In general, a voluntary quit means discontinuing the employment because the employee no longer desires to remain in the relationship of an employee with the employer from whom the employee has separated. The employer has the burden of proving that the claimant is disqualified for benefits pursuant to Iowa Code section 96.5. However, the claimant has the initial burden to produce evidence

that the claimant is not disqualified for benefits in cases involving lowa Code section 96.5, subsection (1), paragraphs "a" through "i," and subsection 10. The following reasons for a voluntary quit shall be presumed to be without good cause attributable to the employer:

- (2) The claimant moved to a different locality.
- (19) The claimant left to enter self employment.

The claimant quit to move to another state and enter self employment. Under the provisions of the above Administrative Code sections, this is a voluntary quit without good cause attributable to the employer. The claimant is disqualified.

DECISION:

The representative's decision of May 10, 2010, reference 01, is affirmed. Alice Parsons 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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