

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

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**LELAND W SIMS**

Claimant

**APPEAL 20R-UI-12963-JC-T**

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**JUNGE FORD NORTH LIBERTY INC**

Employer

**OC: 05/17/20**

**Claimant: Appellant (6)**

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Iowa Code § 96.5(2)a – Discharge for Misconduct  
Iowa Code § 96.5(1) – Voluntary Quitting  
Iowa Code § 96.4(3) – Ability to and Availability for Work  
Iowa Code Ch. 17A – Iowa Administrative Procedure Act  
Iowa Code Ch. 96 – Iowa Employment Security Act  
Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-26.8(1) – Withdrawal of Appeal

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

The claimant/appellant, Leland W. Sims, filed an appeal from the July 23, 2020 (reference 02) Iowa Workforce Development (“IWD”) unemployment insurance decision that denied benefits. A telephone hearing was scheduled for December 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Prior to the hearing, the claimant/appellant submitted a written request to withdraw the appeal and no hearing was conducted.

**ISSUE:**

Should the request to withdraw the appeal be granted?

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

The administrative law judge, having considered the evidence in the record, finds that: A request has been made by the appealing party to withdraw the appeal. The request has been submitted in writing.

**REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-26.8(1) provides:

- (1) An appeal may be withdrawn at any time prior to the issuance of a decision upon the request of the appellant and with the approval of an administrative law judge or the manager or chief administrative law judge of the appeals bureau. Requests for withdrawal may be made in writing or orally, provided the oral request is tape-recorded by the presiding officer.

An appeal may be dismissed upon the request of a party or in the agency’s discretion when the issue or issues on appeal have been resolved in the appellant’s favor.

The administrative law judge has reviewed the records and files herein and concludes that the request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal should be approved.

**The hearing scheduled for December 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. is cancelled.**

Even though the claimant is not eligible for regular unemployment insurance benefits under state law, he/she may be eligible for federally funded unemployment insurance benefits under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("Cares Act"), Public Law 116-136. Section 2102 of the CARES Act creates a new temporary federal program called Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) that in general provides up to 39 weeks of unemployment benefits. An individual receiving PUA benefits may also receive the \$600 weekly benefit amount (WBA) under the Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) program if he or she is eligible for such compensation for the week claimed. The claimant must apply for PUA, as noted in the instructions provided in the "Note to Claimant" below.

**DECISION:**

The unemployment insurance decision dated July 23, 2020, (reference 02) is affirmed. The request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal is approved, and the decision of the representative shall stand and remain in full force and effect.

**NOTE TO CLAIMANT:**

- This decision determines you are not eligible for regular unemployment insurance benefits. If you disagree with this decision you may file an appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by following the instructions on the first page of this decision.
- If you do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance benefits due to disqualifying separations and are currently unemployed for reasons related to COVID-19, you may qualify for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA). **You will need to apply for PUA to determine your eligibility under the program.** More information about how to apply for PUA is available online at:  
[www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/pua-information](http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/pua-information)



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December 22, 2020  
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