

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

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Appeal Number: 04A-UI-02828-HT
OC: 02/08/04 R: 04
Claimant: Respondent (1)

This Decision Shall Become Final, unless within fifteen (15) days from the date below, you or any interested party appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by submitting either a signed letter or a signed written Notice of Appeal, directly to the **Employment Appeal Board, 4th Floor—Lucas Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319**.

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1. The name, address and social security number of the claimant.
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3. That an appeal from such decision is being made and such appeal is signed.
4. The grounds upon which such appeal is based.

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(Administrative Law Judge)

(Decision Dated & Mailed)

Section 96.5-1-j – Quit/Temporary

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The employer, Adecco, filed an appeal from a decision dated March 3, 2004, reference 01. The decision allowed benefits to the claimant, Kressa Piliponis. After due notice was issued a hearing was held by telephone conference call on April 7, 2004. The claimant did not provide a telephone number where she could be contacted and did not participate. The employer participated by Office Supervisor Nicole Collins and was represented by UC Express in the person of Tanis Burrell. Exhibit One was admitted into the record.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony of the witnesses and having examined all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Kressa Piliponis began working for Adecco from November 3, 2003 until January 5, 2004. She was assigned to Wells Fargo and her last day of work was December 31, 2003. On January 5, 2004, Office Supervisor Nicole Collins contacted the claimant and told her that the assignment was over, that the client did not think she was a "good fit" for the position. Ms. Piliponis asked if there were any other assignments available and Ms. Collins told her there was not.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue is whether the claimant is disqualified. The judge concludes she is not.

Iowa Code Section 96.5-1-j 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, But the individual shall not be disqualified if the department finds that:

j. The individual is a temporary employee of a temporary employment firm who notifies the temporary employment firm of completion of an employment assignment and who seeks reassignment. Failure of the individual to notify the temporary employment firm of completion of an employment assignment within three working days of the completion of each employment assignment under a contract of hire shall be deemed a voluntary quit unless the individual was not advised in writing of the duty to notify the temporary employment firm upon completion of an employment assignment or the individual had good cause for not contacting the temporary employment firm within three working days and notified the firm at the first reasonable opportunity thereafter.

To show that the employee was advised in writing of the notification requirement of this paragraph, the temporary employment firm shall advise the temporary employee by requiring the temporary employee, at the time of employment with the temporary employment firm, to read and sign a document that provides a clear and concise explanation of the notification requirement and the consequences of a failure to notify. The document shall be separate from any contract of employment and a copy of the signed document shall be provided to the temporary employee.

For the purposes of this paragraph:

(1) "Temporary employee" means an individual who is employed by a temporary employment firm to provide services to clients to supplement their work force during absences, seasonal workloads, temporary skill or labor market shortages, and for special assignments and projects.

(2) "Temporary employment firm" means a person engaged in the business of employing temporary employees.

The claimant asked for another assignment the same day she was notified her previous assignment had ended. This satisfies the requirements of the above Code Section. The employer requires employees to contact the office once per week to check for available assignments. While this may be a company policy, it is not required by the Iowa Code in determining whether an individual is qualified for benefits.

DECISION:

The representative's decision of March 3, 2004, reference 01, is affirmed. Kressa Piliponis is qualified for benefits, provided she is otherwise eligible.

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