

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS**

68-0157 (9-06) - 3091078 - EI

**TERRY M RICE**  
Claimant

**APPEAL NO. 06A-UI-11401-S2T**

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**TEAM STAFFING SOLUTIONS INC**  
Employer

**OC: 10/01/06 R: 03  
Claimant: Appellant (1)**

Section 96.5-1-j – Separation from Temporary Employer

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

Terry Rice (claimant) appealed a representative's November 21, 2006 decision (reference 02) that concluded he was not eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits due to his separation from work with Team Staffing Solutions (employer). After hearing notices were mailed to the parties' last-known addresses of record, a telephone hearing was held on December 13, 2006. The claimant participated personally. The employer participated by Brad Reed, Human Resources Assistant.

**ISSUE:**

The issue is whether the claimant was separated from work for any disqualifying reason.

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and having considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The employer is a temporary employment service. The claimant performed services from March 4 through May 30, 2006. He signed a document on February 2, 2006, indicating that he was to contact the employer within three days following the completion of an assignment to request placement in a new assignment. The claimant appeared for work on June 2, 2006, intoxicated. The employer offered to provide a cab for the claimant to return to his residence. The claimant did not seek reassignment on June 5, 6 or 7, 2006. The employer assumed the claimant quit work.

The testimony of the employer and claimant was inconsistent. The administrative law judge finds the employer's testimony to be more credible because the claimant was confused by his own testimony.

## REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The administrative law judge finds the claimant was separated from the employer for a disqualifying reason. As an employee of a temporary service, the claimant was required to request reassignment after the completion of his last assignment.

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 did not request reassignment and has, therefore, failed to satisfy the requirements of Iowa Code section 96.5-1-j. Benefits are denied.

**DECISION:**

The representative's November 21, 2006 decision (reference 02) is affirmed. The claimant was separated from the employer on June 2, 2006, for no good cause attributable to the employer. Benefits are withheld until he has worked in and has been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times his weekly benefit amount, provided he is otherwise eligible.

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Beth A. Scheetz  
Administrative Law Judge

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Decision Dated and Mailed

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