IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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ROSE M ARENA Claimant	APPEAL NO. 12A-UI-06755-HT
	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION
SAC & FOX TRIBE Employer	

OC: 05/06/12

Claimant: Appellant (1)

Section 96.5(1) – Quit

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant, Rose Arena, filed an appeal from a decision dated June 1, 2012, 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 12, 2012. The claimant participated on her own behalf. The employer, Sac & Fox, participated by Revenue Manager Angela Johnson, Revenue Auditor Bob Lyons, and Human Resources Director Lucie Roberts.

ISSUE:

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

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Rose Arena was employed by Sac & Fox Tribe from May 31, 2011 until May 7, 2012 as a full-time revenue auditor. She received a written warning on April 23, 2012, for leaving work two times before her required work was done. The day she received the written warning she turned in her two-week notice to resign. Ms. Arena found the work load too much and changes to the computer system difficult to master. Continuing work was available had she not quit.

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(21), (28) provides:

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 Iowa 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:

- (21) The claimant left because of dissatisfaction with the work environment.
- (28) The claimant left after being reprimanded.

The claimant quit after being given a written warning and because she did not like the work environment. Under the provisions of the above Administrative Code sections, this is a voluntary quit without good cause attributable to the employer and the claimant is disqualified.

DECISION:

The representative's decision of June 1, 2012, reference 01, is affirmed. Rose Arena is disqualified and benefits are withheld until she has earned ten times her weekly benefit amount in insured work, provided she is otherwise eligible.

Bonny G. Hendricksmeyer Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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