

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
Unemployment Insurance Appeals Section
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DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
68-0157 (7-97) – 3091078 - EI**

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**Appeal Number: 06A-UI-01948-S2T
OC: 01/29/06 R: 03
Claimant: Appellant (2)**

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(Administrative Law Judge)

(Decision Dated & Mailed)

871 IAC 24.7(4)b(1) – Disqualifications

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Jeanette Pettit (claimant) appealed a representative's February 7, 2006 decision (reference 01) that concluded she was not qualified to receive unemployment insurance benefits from her work with Wellman Dynamics Corporation (employer). After hearing notices were mailed to the parties' last-known addresses of record, a telephone hearing was held on March 7, 2006. The claimant represented by Steven Jayne, Attorney at Law, and participated personally. The employer did not provide a telephone number where it could be reached and, therefore, did not participate. The claimant offered one exhibit which was marked for identification as Exhibit A. Exhibit A was received into evidence

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The claimant's base period of employment was from October 1, 2004, through September 30, 2005. The claimant received workers' compensation for total temporary disability during the fourth quarter of 2004 and the first and second quarters of 2005.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue is whether the claimant can use workers' compensation benefits as wage credits on this unemployment claim. For the following reasons the administrative law judge concludes she can.

871 IAC 24.7(4)b(1) provides:

b. Disqualifications. The request for retroactive substitution of base period quarters shall be denied if the individual received workers' compensation or indemnity insurance benefits in:

(1) At least three base period quarters but the individual is currently monetarily eligible with an established weekly and maximum benefit amount.

When a claimant receives workers' compensation during three or more calendar quarters of the base period of her claim, she can substitute calendar quarters before her base period. The claimant received workers' compensation for total temporary disability during three or more calendar quarters in her current base period. As such her request to have her claim redetermined by substituting calendar quarters before her base period is allowed.

DECISION:

The representative's February 7, 2006 decision (reference 01) is reversed. The claimant's request to have her claim redetermined by using workers' compensation benefits as wage credits on this unemployment claim is allowed.

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