

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

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**TRINITA S BROWN**  
Claimant

**INTREPID LLC**  
Employer

**APPEAL 20A-UI-00423-S1-T**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**OC: 12/01/19**  
**Claimant: Appellant (6)**

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Iowa Code § 96.5-1 - Voluntary Quit  
Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-24.19(3) – Claims Bureau Subsequent Action  
Iowa Admin. Code r. 871-26.11 – Motions

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

An appeal was filed from the January 10, 2020, reference 02 decision that found the claimant not eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits. A hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2020. A hearing was not deemed necessary to be held in order to make a decision for reasons which will appear in the Findings of Fact.

**ISSUE:**

The issue is whether the appeal should be dismissed due to agency error.

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

The administrative law judge, having considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: A representative's decision was issued on January 30, 2020, reference 04, finding the claimant eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits and the employer will not be charged for benefits paid.

**REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

Generally, courts and administrative tribunals do not decide issues when the underlying controversy is moot. *Rhiner v. State*, 703 N.W.2d 174, 176 (Iowa 2005). "A case is moot if it no longer presents a justiciable controversy because the issues involved are academic or nonexistent." *Iowa Bankers Ass'n v. Iowa Credit Union Dep't*, 335 N.W.2d 439, 442 (Iowa 1983).

Subsequent agency action in favor of the appellant made this appeal moot. The appeal of the original representative's decision dated January 14, 2020 (reference 01) is dismissed as moot. The hearing scheduled for February 3, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. is cancelled.

**DECISION:**

The representative's January 10, 2020 decision (reference 02) is approved. The appeal is dismissed as moot.

The hearing scheduled on February 3, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. is cancelled.

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Beth A. Scheetz  
Administrative Law Judge

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Decision Dated and Mailed

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