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EMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD DECISION 2022-EAB-1077

Affirmed

Late Request for Hearing Allowed

Ineligible for Mixed Earner Unemployment Compensation Weeks 53-20 through 35-21

PROCEDURAL HISTORY: On September 1, 2021, the Oregon Employment Department (the Department) served a Notice of Determination for Mixed Earner Unemployment Compensation (MEUC) concluding that claimant was not eligible to receive MEUC benefits effective December 27, 2020. On September 21, 2021, the September 1, 2021 administrative decision became final without claimant having filed a request for hearing. On November 12, 2021, claimant filed a late request for hearing. ALJ Kangas considered claimant's request, and on November 23, 2021 issued Order No. 21-UI-180399, dismissing claimant's request for hearing as late, subject to claimant's right to renew the request by responding to an appellant questionnaire by December 7, 2021. On December 6, 2021, claimant filed a timely response to the appellant questionnaire. On February 23, 2022, the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) mailed a letter stating that Order No. 21-UI-180399 was vacated and that a new hearing would be scheduled to determine whether claimant had good cause to file the late request for hearing and, if so, the merits of the September 1, 2021 administrative decision. On October 14, 2022, ALJ Janzen conducted a hearing, and on October 18, 2022 issued Order No. 22-UI-205315, allowing claimant's late request for hearing and affirming the September 1, 2021 administrative decision by concluding that claimant was not eligible for MEUC for the weeks including December 27, 2020 through September 4, 2021 (weeks 53-20 through 35-21). On October 24, 2022, claimant filed an application for review of Order No. 22-UI-205315 with the Employment Appeals Board (EAB).

WRITTEN ARGUMENT: Claimant's argument contained information that was not part of the hearing record, and did not show that factors or circumstances beyond claimant's reasonable control prevented her from offering the information during the hearing. Under ORS 657.275(2) and OAR 471-041-0090 (May 13, 2019), EAB considered only information received into evidence at the hearing when reaching this decision. EAB considered claimant's argument to the extent it was based on the record.

An assertion made in claimant's written argument is that her eligibility for MEUC benefits should have been determined based on an initial claim for regular unemployment insurance (regular UI) benefits that claimant allegedly filed in August 2020. Written Argument at 1. MEUC is governed by Section 261 of

the Continued Assistance Act,¹ which provides that an individual is eligible for MEUC where "the individual received at least \$5,000 of self-employment income . . . in the most recent taxable year ending prior to the individual's application for regular compensation." The effect of this language is that an individual's MEUC eligibility is dependent upon whether they earned self-employment income in the tax year that ended before the year their regular UI claim was filed.

At hearing, claimant testified that she was not self-employed in 2018 or 2019 and did not receive any self-employment income until 2020. Transcript at 28-29. That means that even if claimant had filed a regular UI claim in August 2020, she would not be eligible for MEUC benefits because she received no self-employment income in 2019, the taxable year ending prior to the alleged August 2020 regular UI claim. As it is, the record shows only that claimant filed an initial claim for regular UI benefits on July 3, 2019. Transcript at 27. As claimant received no self-employment income in 2018, the taxable year ending prior to the July 3, 2019 regular UI claim, claimant was not eligible to receive MEUC benefits. The order under review correctly reached this conclusion, and for that reason, this decision is adopting the order under review. *See* Order No. 22-UI-205315 at 6.

EAB reviewed the entire hearing record. On *de novo* review and pursuant to ORS 657.275(2), the order under review is **adopted**.

DECISION: Order No. 22-UI-205315 is affirmed.

D. Hettle and A. Steger-Bentz; S. Serres, not participating.

DATE of Service: <u>January 4, 2023</u>

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¹ The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Division N, Title II, Subtitle A, Chapter I, Subchapter I, the Continued Assistance for Unemployed Workers Act of 2020 was signed into law on December 27, 2020.



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Khmer

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Laotian

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Farsi

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