

EMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD DECISION
2024-EAB-0015

Late Applications for Review Dismissed

PROCEDURAL HISTORY: On September 16, 2020, the Oregon Employment Department (the Department) served notice of an administrative decision concluding that claimant failed to provide information in accordance with the Department's rules and was therefore denied unemployment insurance benefits for the weeks of August 16, 2020, through September 12, 2020 (weeks 34-20 through 37-20) (decision # 93734). On October 6, 2020, decision # 93734 became final without claimant having filed a request for hearing. On October 7, 2020, the Department served notice of an administrative decision concluding that claimant was not available for work during the weeks of May 17, 2020 through May 30, 2020 (weeks 21-20 through 22-20), June 14, 2020 through June 20, 2020 (week 25-20), June 28, 2020 through August 22, 2020 (weeks 27-20 through 34-20), and August 30, 2020 through October 3, 2020 (weeks 36-20 through 40-20), and was therefore denied benefits for those weeks and until the reason for the denial had ended (decision # 95357). On October 27, 2020, decision # 95357 became final without claimant having filed a request for hearing. On February 28, 2022, claimant filed late requests for hearing on decisions # 93734 and 95357.

ALJ Kangas considered claimant's requests, and on August 1, 2023, issued Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968, dismissing claimant's requests for hearing as late, subject to claimant's right to renew the requests by responding to an appellant questionnaire by August 15, 2023. On August 21, 2023, Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968 became final without claimant having filed a response to the appellant questionnaire or an application for review with the Employment Appeals Board (EAB). On August 23, 2023, claimant filed a late response to the appellant questionnaire and late applications for review of Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968 with EAB. On January 3, 2024, ALJ Kangas mailed letters to claimant stating that because the appellant questionnaire response was late, it would not be considered, and additional orders would not be issued in the matters. These matters come before EAB based upon claimant's August 23, 2023, late applications for review of Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968.

Pursuant to OAR 471-041-0095 (October 29, 2006), EAB consolidated its review of Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968. For case-tracking purposes, this decision is being issued in duplicate (EAB Decisions 2024-EAB-0015 and 2024-EAB-0016).

EVIDENTIARY MATTER: EAB has considered additional evidence when reaching this decision under OAR 471-041-0090(1) (May 13, 2019). The additional evidence is claimant’s response to the appellant questionnaire, and has been marked as EAB Exhibit 1, and a copy provided to the parties with this decision. Any party that objects to our admitting EAB Exhibit 1 must submit such objection to this office in writing, setting forth the basis of the objection in writing, within ten days of our mailing this decision. OAR 471-041-0090(2). Unless such objection is received and sustained, the exhibit will remain in the record.

FINDINGS OF FACT: (1) Order No. 23-UI-231966, mailed to claimant on August 1, 2023, stated, “You may appeal this decision by filing the attached form Application for Review with the Employment Appeals Board within 20 days of the date that this decision is mailed.” Order No. 23-UI-231966 at 2. Order No. 23-UI-231966 also stated on its Certificate of Mailing, “Any party may appeal this Order by filing a Request for Review with the Employment Appeals Board no later than August 21, 2023.”

(2) Order No. 23-UI-231968, mailed to claimant on August 1, 2023, stated, “You may appeal this decision by filing the attached form Application for Review with the Employment Appeals Board within 20 days of the date that this decision is mailed.” Order No. 23-UI-231968 at 2. Order No. 23-UI-231968 also stated on its Certificate of Mailing, “Any party may appeal this Order by filing a Request for Review with the Employment Appeals Board no later than August 21, 2023.”

CONCLUSIONS AND REASONS: Claimant’s late applications for review of Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968 are dismissed.

An application for review is timely if it is filed within 20 days of the date that the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) mailed the order for which review is sought. ORS 657.270(6); OAR 471-041-0070(1) (May 13, 2019). The 20-day filing period may be extended a “reasonable time” upon a showing of “good cause.” ORS 657.875; OAR 471-041-0070(2). “Good cause” means that factors or circumstances beyond the applicant’s reasonable control prevented timely filing. OAR 471-041-0070(2)(a). A “reasonable time” is seven days after the circumstances that prevented the timely filing ceased to exist. OAR 471-041-0070(2)(b). A late application for review will be dismissed unless it includes a written statement describing the circumstances that prevented a timely filing. OAR 471-041-0070(3).

The applications for review of Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968 were due August 21, 2023. Because claimant did not file their applications for review until August 23, 2023, the applications for review were late. Claimant provided a response to the appellant questionnaire with the applications for review. However, the response only addressed why claimant’s requests for hearing on decisions # 93734 and 95357 were filed late, and did not describe the circumstances that prevented claimant from filing the applications for review of Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968 on time. Accordingly, claimant did not show good cause for the filing the applications for review late, and claimant’s late applications for review are dismissed.

DECISION: Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968 are affirmed. Claimant’s late applications for review of Orders No. 23-UI-231966 and 23-UI-231968 are dismissed.

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

DATE of Service: January 5, 2024

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English

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Simplified Chinese

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Traditional Chinese

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Tagalog

Paalala – Nakakaapekto ang desisyong ito sa iyong mga benepisyo sa pagkawala ng trabaho. Kung hindi mo naiintindihan ang desisyong ito, makipag-ugnayan kaagad sa Lupon ng mga Apela sa Trabaho (Employment Appeals Board). Kung hindi ka sumasang-ayon sa desisyong ito, maaari kang maghain ng isang Petisyon sa Pagsusuri ng Hukuman (Petition for Judicial Review) sa Hukuman sa Paghahabol (Court of Appeals) ng Oregon na sinusunod ang mga tagubilin na nakasulat sa dulo ng desisyon.

Vietnamese

Chú ý - Quyết định này ảnh hưởng đến trợ cấp thất nghiệp của quý vị. Nếu quý vị không hiểu quyết định này, hãy liên lạc với Ban Kháng Cáo Việc Làm ngay lập tức. Nếu quý vị không đồng ý với quyết định này, quý vị có thể nộp Đơn Xin Tái Xét Tư Pháp với Tòa Kháng Cáo Oregon theo các hướng dẫn được viết ra ở cuối quyết định này.

Spanish

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Russian

Внимание – Данное решение влияет на ваше пособие по безработице. Если решение Вам непонятно – немедленно обратитесь в Апелляционный Комитет по Трудоустройству. Если Вы не согласны с принятым решением, вы можете подать Ходатайство о Пересмотре Судебного Решения в Апелляционный Суд штата Орегон, следуя инструкциям, описанным в конце решения.

Khmer

ចំណុចសំខាន់ – សេចក្តីសម្រេចនេះមានផលប៉ះពាល់ដល់អត្ថប្រយោជន៍គ្មានការងារធ្វើរបស់លោកអ្នក។ ប្រសិនបើលោកអ្នកមិនយល់អំពីសេចក្តីសម្រេចនេះ សូមទាក់ទងគណៈកម្មការឧទ្ធរណ៍ការងារភ្លាមៗ។ ប្រសិនបើលោកអ្នកមិនយល់ស្របចំពោះសេចក្តីសម្រេចនេះទេ លោកអ្នកអាចដាក់ពាក្យប្តឹងសុំឲ្យមានការពិនិត្យរឿងក្តីឡើងវិញជាមួយតុលាការឧទ្ធរណ៍រដ្ឋ Oregon ដោយអនុវត្តតាមសេចក្តីណែនាំដែលសរសេរនៅខាងចុងបញ្ចប់នៃសេចក្តីសម្រេចនេះ។

Laotian

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Arabic

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Farsi

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