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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 13591-14 E.T.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C025752 (SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF SOC. SVCS.)

Petitioner appeals from Respondent Agency's termination and 90 day period of disqualification of her Work First New Jersey/Temporary Assistance for Needy Families ("WFNJ/TANF") benefits, and the reduction of the assistance unit's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP"), f/k/a Food Stamps, benefits also with a disqualification period. The Agency terminated her WFNJ/TANF benefits, with a period of disqualification, and reduced the assistance unit's SNAP benefits, due to a voluntary quit from her employment. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On November 17, 2014, the Honorable W. Todd Miller, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony and admitted documents.

On November 20, 2014, the ALJ issued his Initial Decision affirming the Agency's determination. Based upon the record, the ALJ concluded that the credible evidence presented supported the Agency's determination that Petitioner had voluntarily quit her employment. See Initial Decision at 5-6.

No Exceptions to the Initial Decision were filed by either party.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I have considered the record in this matter and the ALJ's Initial Decision and I concur with the ALJ's decision and hereby adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law in this matter.

Accordingly, the Initial Decision in this matter is ADOPTED and the Agency's actions are hereby AFFIRMED.

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at DFD, BARA

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Jeanette Page-Hawkins  
Director