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BOARD OF REVIEW

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW MAY 18, 2022

NANCY HUNT, CHAIRPERSON

WILLIAM SCAGLIONE, VICE-CHAIR

ANDREA JACKSON, ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



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A regular meeting of the Board of Review was held on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., via conference call, in Trenton, New Jersey

PRESENT: Nancy Hunt, Chairperson, William Scaglione, Vice-Chairperson, Maria Zola, Acting Executive Secretary,

In accordance with L1975, c.231, the Chairperson to the Board of Review opened the meeting with the following statement:

Notice of this meeting was filed with the Secretary of State and sent to the Trenton Times, Newark Star Ledger and Courier Post and posted in the Lobby of the Department of Labor, 1 John Fitch Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey.

All actions were by unanimous vote unless otherwise specified.

BOARD MINUTES:

Submitted for adoption are the minutes of the May 4, 2022 Board meeting.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 4, 2022

BOARD MEETING WITH THE EXCEPTION OF DOCKET #DKT00251118, SECTION B ITEM B-2. THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED TO CONSIDER NEW CORRESPONDENCE.

SECTION A – HEARING MATTERS:

A-1 VACATED APPEALS BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW

1. THOMAS TREUSCH

BOR DKT. 00287056

Claimant's letter was erroneously processed as an appeal to the Board of Review.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASE AS A VACATED APPEAL BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

A-2 DISMISSED APPEALS BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW DUE TO UNTIMELY FILING OR FOR NON-JUSTICIABLE APPEAL ISSUE

1. MELINDA DETRICK

BOR DKT. 00220494

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work and an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits.

2. MARIA DE JESUS

BOR DKT. 00250171

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

3. THOMAS LYONS

BOR DKT. 00251716

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

4. CURTIS PENN

BOR DKT. 00253821

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant liable for an agency refund due to a pension offset.

5. ANGELO DIAZ

BOR DKT. 00237261

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under availability for work and a liability to a refund.

6. DANIEL PEARL

BOR DKT. 00235231

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Extended Benefits.

7. CHRISTOPHER ANTONELLI

BOR DKT. 00253790

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

8. JODEE PIERRE BONEO

BOR DKT. 00240474

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under availability for work and a liability to a refund.

9. ELLIS ABBOUD

BOR DKT. 00251061

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

10. RAHENA BEGUM

BOR DKT. 00222522

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification for benefits under leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

11. KERRY DONNELLY

BOR DKT. 00260801

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under ability and availability for work and an active search for work.

12. SHIRLEY WALKER

BOR DKT. 00255037

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for misconduct connected with the work.

13. ZOELLYS RAMOS CAY

BOR DKT. 00268144

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for work, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and liable for a non-fraud refund.

14. TYSHAWN THOMAS

BOR DKT. 00264974

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily.

15. MILICA RUNTEVSKA

BOR DKT. 00249323

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under availability for work and a liability to a refund.

16. JUSTIN ECKERT

BOR DKT. 00241962

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal which denied the request to vacate a prior decision dismissing the appeal for non-appearance.

17. SUQUAN CLYBURN I

BOR DKT. 00201084

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the remuneration earned with the employer covered employment and the claimant disqualified for benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

18. DANIEL WLUDYKA

BOR DKT. 00207843

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to such work.

19. BRYAN BLAUT

BOR DKT. 00233532

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS

DISMISSED APPEALS BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW DUE TO UNTIMELY FILING OR FOR NON-JUSTICIABLE APPEAL

ISSUE.

A-3 AFFIRMATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW

1. DAWN ACRES

BOR DKT. 00244197

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility of benefits under reporting requirements.

2. MAHDI DAVIS

BOR DKT. 00251667

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the CARES Act, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

3. CERA HAYES

BOR DKT. 00253133

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under ability and availability for work.

4. MICHEL NUNEZ

BOR DKT. 00251590

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

5. KEAN NWAZIRI

BOR DKT. 00221589

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work and a liability to a refund.

6. TANZANIA JOHNSON

BOR DKT. 00230421

Employer appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification for benefits for misconduct connected with the work.

7. JACQUELINE RUPINSKI

BOR DKT. 00260579

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

8. NAIMA JONES

BOR DKT. 00251468

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and a liability to a refund.

9. PATRICIA GUYTON

BOR DKT. 00264920

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily.

10. MELVA SALMAN

BOR DKT. 00264961

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits for refusing suitable work.

11. CAMERON CARMICHAEL

BOR DKT. 00261965

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

12. WIKTORIA WEGOROWSKA

BOR DKT. 00263489

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, and an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the CARES Act.

13. JAMES REYNOLDS JR

BOR DKT. 00262660

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for misconduct connected with the work, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

14. DEVORA LOWI

BOR DKT. 00248576

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

15. JAMES BARRON

BOR DKT. 00254459

Employer appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits for misconduct connected with the work.

16. MONIKA ROGUZ

BOR DKT. 00263397

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the CARES Act, and a liability for a non-fraud refund.

17. MENA SOLIMAN

BOR DKT. 00244219

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under availability for work, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as his unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the CARES Act and liable for a non-fraud refund

18. MATTHEW BRAND

BOR DKT. 00240750

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, and a liability for a non-fraud refund.

19. ADLYN O'ROURKE

BOR DKT. 00268177

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

20. MAGDALENA KULINSKA

BOR DKT. 00268382

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal disputing the monetary entitlement on a valid Pandemic Unemployment Assistance claim.

21. KIM COOK BOR DKT. 00275822

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant not unemployed and liable for a non-fraud refund.

22. THOMAS DOUGHERTY

BOR DKT. 00243517

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and liability for non-fraud refund.

23. SALEM KNOUZI

BOR DKT, 00282315

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to such work, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and a liability to a refund.

24. ABEL RANO

BOR DKT. 00264073

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the CARES Act, and a liability for a non-fraud refund.

25. NANCY ROBINSON-SOTO

BOR DKT. 0068208

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

26. YANN MORALES-DIAZ

BOR DKT. 00266071

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS AFFIRMATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

A-4 MODIFIED AND REMANDED DECISIONS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL OR DEPUTY BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW

1. MICHAEL GONNELLA

BOR DKT. 00239169

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under availability for work, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and a liability to a refund.

2. JENNIFER TOZER

BOR DKT. 00252981

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and liability for non-fraud refund.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS MODIFIED AND REMANDED DECISIONS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL OR DEPUTY BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

A-5 MODIFICATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW

1. CHRISTINA ORTIZ

BOR DKT. 00245208

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility under availability for work, an ineligibility under not unemployed and liable for a refund.

2. HELEN RICHARDSON

BOR DKT. 00251500

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits for refusing suitable work.

3. MANEESHA SINGH

BOR DKT. 00258030

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

4. ALKIVIADES MAKRYGIANNIS

BOR DKT. 00240615

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and a liability to a refund.

5. COLETTE WEISBERG

BOR DKT. 00262399

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of

the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

6. IBRAHIM HASSANIEN

BOR DKT. 00226128

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for work and liability for non-fraud refund.

7. MARK COOKE

BOR DKT. 00259026

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for work and non-fraud refund.

8. SONIA LEAL

BOR DKT. 00263077

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of unemployment benefits for leaving work voluntarily, an ineligibility of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the CARES Act, and a liability for a non-fraud refund. (**Board voted to table this case for further review**).

ACTION:

BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE REMAINING 7 CASES AS MODIFICATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

A-6 REMANDS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL OR DEPUTY BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW

1. ERIC HANNAH

BOR DKT. 00258029

Employer appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

2. LATASHA COLLINS

BOR DKT. 00251423

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification for misconduct connected with the work.

3. BREANNE PERNA

BOR DKT. 00210107

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily and no disqualification of benefits for discharge for misconduct connected with the work.

4. DIEGO VALENCIA

BOR DKT. 00255023

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

5. ALEXANDER DOUGHERTY

BOR DKT. 00251580

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under availability for work, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and a liability to a refund.

6. JADE HARVEY

BOR DKT. 00248785

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a refund liability.

7. JENNIFER NEGRON

BOR DKT. 00254518

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

8. HENRY WILLIAMS

BOR DKT. 00258423

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

9. KARL DUERR

BOR DKT. 00255036

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, ineligible for benefits under ability to work and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

10. KAYLA LEE

BOR DKT. 00240879

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing as late her appeal on her ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits, and holding her liable for a non-fraud refund.

11. MICHAEL NOEL

BOR DKT, 00245440

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits under leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

12. TAO HO BOR DKT. 00245268

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

13. JOSHUA STREATER

BOR DKT. 00249827

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits under leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work and for misconduct connected with the work and no ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits.

14. DIMITRI MOMPEROUSSE

BOR DKT. 00253988

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal denying the request to reopen the matter due to non-registration for the hearing.

15. KELLY RICHARDSON

BOR DKT. 00256642

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

16. AMPARO GIL BOR DKT. 00251105

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under ability to work, under availability for work, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and liable for non-fraud refund.

17. DARAH NELSON

BOR DKT. 00251907

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant liable for a non-fraud refund.

18. ROSSANA VERDOLIVA

BOR DKT. 00251084

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, ineligible for benefits under availability for work, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as

the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

19. STEPHEN AMATO

BOR DKT. 00251186

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal reducing the weekly benefit rate due to receipt of a pension from a base year or chargeable employer and liability for non-fraud refund.

20. KEITH SCOTT

BOR DKT. 00239897

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work, and liability for a non-fraud refund.

21. KERRY DONNELLY

BOR DKT. 00281382

Deputy appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no ineligibility for benefits under Disability During Unemployment.

22. KOURTNEY COOKE

BOR DKT. 00220532

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal denying the request to reopen the matter due to non-registration for the hearing.

23. THOMAS TREUSCH

BOR DKT. 00250988

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant not unemployed and holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS REMANDS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL OR DEPUTY BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

A-7 REVERSED AND REMANDED DECISIONS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL

1. TERESA MANON

BOR DKT. 00279988

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASE AS A

REVERSED AND REMANDED DECISION TO THE APPEAL

TRIBUNAL.

A-8 REVERSED DECISIONS OF THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW

1. CRAIG MONTEMURRO

BOR DKT. 00256234

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the CARES Act, and a liability for a non-fraud refund.

2. ALFRED SHAMMAH

BOR DKT. 00268333

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS

REVERSED DECISIONS OF THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL BY

THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

A-9 REOPENED BOARD OF REVIEW DECISION, MODIFIED APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISION AND REMANDED TO THE DEPUTY FOR INITIAL DETERMINATION

1. JASON CORTES

BOR DKT. 00239924

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work, a denial of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons, and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASE AS A REOPENED BOARD OF REVIEW DECISION, MODIFIED APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISION AND REMAND TO THE DEPUTY FOR AN INITIAL DETERMINATION.

SECTION B - MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS/CASES FOR DISCUSSION

B-1 KOMAL AKHTAR

BOR DKT, 00258060

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work, a denial of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the

claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons, and a liability to an agency refund.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO AFFIRM THE DECISION OF THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL HOLDING A DISQUALIFICATION OF

BENEFITS FOR LEAVING WORK VOLUNTARILY

WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE WORK, A DENIAL OF PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

(PUA) BENEFITS AS THE CLAIMANT'S UNEMPLOYMENT WAS NOT DUE TO ONE OF THE COVID-19 RELATED

REASONS, AND A LIABILITY TO AN AGENCY REFUND. THE BOARD WILL ADD AN ADDITIONAL STATEMENT

REGARDING THE REASON FOR THE DENIAL OF

BENEFITS.

B-2 ANNET BALDWIN

BOR DKT. 00276402

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for work, holding the claimant not unemployed, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified in the CARES Act and liable for non-fraud refund.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO AFFIRM THE DECISION OF THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL HOLDING THE CLAIMANT

INELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER AVAILABILITY FOR WORK, THE CLAIMANT NOT UNEMPLOYED, A DENIAL OF

PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (PUA)

BENEFITS AS THE CLAIMANT'S UNEMPLOYMENT WAS NOT DUE TO ONE OF THE COVID-19 RELATED REASONS,

AND A LIABILITY FOR NON-FRAUD REFUND.