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**BOARD OF REVIEW** 

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### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW SEPTEMBER 29, 2021

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ANDREA JACKSON, ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



### **BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SEPTEMBER 29, 2021**

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A regular meeting of the Board of Review was held on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., via conference call, in Trenton, New Jersey

PRESENT: Nancy Hunt, Chairperson, William Scaglione, Vice-Chairperson, Andrea Jackson, 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 September 15, 2021 Board meeting.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 BOARD MEETING.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

### 1. MATTHEW BRAND

BOR DKT. 00240750

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily and liable for a non-fraud refund. (This case was tabled in the meeting of September 1, 2021. Placed on this agenda for further discussion by the Board.)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO REMAND THIS CASE TO

THEAPPEALTRIBUNAL FOR ADDITIONAL TESTIMONY

TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE CLAIMANT HAD

GOOD CAUSE FOR LEAVING THE JOB.

### 2. 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. (The Board voted to reverse the Appeal Tribunal decision in the meeting of September 15, 2021, with respect to the timeliness of the appeal and remand the matter of eligibility for pandemic unemployment assistance (PUA) benefits from December 20, 2020 through February 27, 2021 to the Appeal Tribunal.)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO REVERSE THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL

DECISION WITH RESPECT TO THE TIMELINESS OF

THE APPEAL TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL AND

REMAND THE MATTER OF WHETHER THE CLAIMANT

IS ELIGIBLE FOR PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT

ASSISTANCE (PUA) BENEFITS.

### SECTION A – HEARING MATTERS

### A-1 WITHDRAWAL OF APPEALS

### 1. FRANK DELLISANTI

BOR DKT. 00234034

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

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASE AS A

WITHDRAWAL OF AN APPEAL.

### A-2 VACATED APPEALS TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW

### 1. RANDY WILLIAMS

BOR DKT. 00225233

Claimant's letter was processed as an appeal to a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for refusal of suitable work and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

### 2. ADRIAN DUNCAN

BOR DKT. 00240411

Employer's letter was processed as an appeal to a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under employer full-time and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### **3.** SCOTT ROTHBART

BOR DKT. 00234542

Claimant's letter was processed as an appeal of a denial of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits from 05/24/20 through 02/26/21, as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons and liable for a non-fraud refund for the week ending 05/30/20.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS VACATED APPEALS TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

## A-3 DISMISSALS OF LATE APPEALS/NON-JUSTICIABLE ISSUES TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW

### 1. LINDSAY BEAULIEU

BOR DKT. 00221716

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

### 2. NIMAL INSAR

BOR DKT. 00235686

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 non-fraud refund.

**3.** MONA AZIM BOR DKT. 00233943

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the exhaustion of all benefit entitlement.

**4.** ANAM BAIG BOR DKT. 00222029

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding her ineligible for Family Leave During Unemployment benefits.

### 5. PHILLIP OKNER

BOR DKT. 00233129

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for regular and Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and liable for a refund.

### **6.** BRITTANY GOMEZ

BOR DKT. 00224101

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

### 7. GEETA POPAT

BOR DKT. 00225872

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for non-fraud refund.

### 8. RACHEL BARNETT

BOR DKT. 00239187

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal due to lack of jurisdiction.

### 9. JAMIL BUCKUSE

BOR DKT. 00203105

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

### 10. KESHIA ROBINSON

BOR DKT. 00239189

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

### 11. MIGUEL DELVILLAR-FEDERIC

BOR DKT. 00237442

Employer appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, no disqualification for benefits for misconduct connected with the work and no liability to a non-fraud refund.

### 12. ALIYA ROBINSON

BOR DKT. 00239191

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for non-fraud refund.

### 13. SAIGE LOFTON

BOR DKT. 00206340

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

### **14.** LISA WALDRON

BOR DKT. 00243945

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

LATE APPEALS AND NON-JUSTICIABLE ISSUES TO

THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

### A-4 DENIAL OF REOPENING REQUESTS TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW

### 1. RAMESHCHANDRA SHAH

BOR DKT. 00144861

Claimant is requesting a reconsideration of the Board of Review's decision, dismissing the Appeal Tribunal's decision dismissing the claimant's appeal as there was no justiciable issue.

### 2. EILEEN CICCHETTI

BOR DKT. 00217047

Claimant is requesting a reconsideration of the Board of Review's decision, dismissing the Appeal Tribunal's decision dismissing the claimant's appeal as late without good cause.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS

DENIAL OF REOPENING REQUESTS TO THE BOARD OF

REVIEW.

### A-5 AFFIRMATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS

### 1. DIANE HERNANDEZ

BOR DKT. 00239674

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

### 2. KENNETH LEWIS

BOR DKT. 00239283

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

### 3. FARRY FRANCIS

BOR DKT. 00237540

Claimant appealed a denial of Extended Benefits.

### 4. MOHAMMAD KABIR

BOR DKT. 00238442

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 a non-fraud refund.

### **5.** KAREN KAYALO

BOR DKT. 00215948

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits as the weekly earnings exceeded the partial benefit rate and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

**6.** LI WANG BOR DKT. 00238984

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits under ability to work and liable for a non-fraud refund.

**7.** DINO RUSSO BOR DKT. 00240876

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant may qualify for regular unemployment benefits from another state, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### 8. BRIANNA ROJAO

BOR DKT. 00236325

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

### 9. ROSARIO COLAN

BOR DKT. 00238916

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

### 10. CONSUELO FERNANDEZ LORENZO

BOR DKT. 00224055

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

### 11. KENNETH FOX

BOR DKT. 00240393

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 non-fraud refund.

### 12. RACHEL JANDER

BOR DKT. 00232200

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

**13.** IAN MCLAY BOR DKT. 00238800

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for a non-fraud refund. (Board voted to table this case for further review of additional information submitted from the claimant's attorney).

### 14. LAURA SMITH

BOR DKT. 00239678

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

### **15.** ALEJANDRO GARCIA NUÑEZ

BOR DKT. 00233478

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under ability to 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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for a non-fraud refund.

### **16.** ADRIEL LAHENS

BOR DKT. 00239459

Claimant appealed a denial of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and a liability for a non-fraud refund.

### 17. GIANNA MOLENARO

BOR DKT. 00241681

Claimant appealed a denial of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons, an ineligibility for benefits under availability for work and a liability for a non-fraud refund.

### **18.** DEANNA D'ELIA

BOR DKT. 00240708

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

### 19. YUJIN HONG

BOR DKT. 00236570

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

### 20. BARRY EDELMAN

BOR DKT. 00238679

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claim invalid.

21. NEAL PATEL

BOR DKT. 00241753

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

### 22. JEFFREY HILL

BOR DKT. 00236970

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant disqualified for misconduct connected with the work.

### **23.** ANTONIA MARTINEZ

BOR DKT. 00229222

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

### 24. IYESHA ALGHALI

BOR DKT. 00242302

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal which dismissed the appeal as late without good cause and the claimant ineligible for benefits under ability to work.

### **25.** ZACHARY DAVIS

BOR DKT. 00241961

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility of benefits under availability for work, ineligibility of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons under the C.A.R.E.S. Act, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### **26.** DANIELLE MANNING RODGERS

BOR DKT. 00238662

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

### 27. VINCENT DEMARZO

BOR DKT. 00213160

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

### 28. DANIELLE SINGLETARY

BOR DKT. 00239071

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

### 29. NATINA BERRY

BOR DKT. 00224092

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant employed full-time and liability for a non-fraud refund.

### **30.** ISIAH PAGAN

BOR DKT. 00242222

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause. (Board voted to reverse the Appeal Tribunal decision with respect to the timeliness of the appeal to the Appeal Tribunal and remand the matter of the claimant's eligibility for benefits).

### **31.** DUNG NGUYEN

BOR DKT. 00240711

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.

### 32. SHIREA CARROLL

BOR DKT. 00242026

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant may be eligible for unemployment benefits in another State and liability for a non-fraud refund.

### **33.** DEBORAH LONG

BOR DKT. 00242372

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

### **34.** LISA ROMEO

BOR DKT. 00240865

Claimant appealed the Appeal Tribunal decision holding the unemployment claim invalid as there were insufficient weeks and wages, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant may be eligible for unemployment benefits in another State and liability for a non-fraud refund.

#### **35.** YASMEEN NELSON

BOR DKT, 00243659

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

### **36.** SERENA TOWNSEND

BOR DKT. 00242109

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant may be eligible for unemployment benefits in another State and liability for a non-fraud refund.

### **37.** ROBIN LIPTON GOLDSTEIN

BOR DKT. 00241259

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

### **38.** LORRAINE MARTINEZ

BOR DKT. 00243035

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

### 39. JUDE INFANTE

BOR DKT. 00243022

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily and 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 C.A.R.E.S. Act. (Board voted to reverse the decision of the Appeal Tribunal with respect to the voluntary leaving disqualification, hold the claimant eligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and refer the backdating of the PUA claim to the Deputy and convert the PUA claim to a regular UI claim as of 11/15/20).

### **40.** PATRICK TURNER

BOR DKT. 00212284

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of regular unemployment benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the work and eligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance

(PUA) benefits as the claimant's unemployment was due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons.

### **41.** KEVIN MOLINA

BOR DKT. 00241204

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

### **42.** DIANNE TANNER

BOR DKT. 00238675

Claimant appealed the Appeal Tribunal decision holding the unemployment claim invalid due to insufficient base weeks and base year earnings to establish a valid claim.

### 43. SARA STERN

BOR DKT. 00243511

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

### **44.** HARRISON TALBOT

BOR DKT. 00243625

Claimant appealed a denial of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as the claimant may be entitled to regular unemployment benefits in another state and a liability for a non-fraud refund.

### **45.** TUSHAR VERMA

BOR DKT. 00243408

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 an agency refund.

### **46.** JUNIOR BAEZ

BOR DKT. 00243605

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

### **47.** YVES TONGSON

BOR DKT, 00242685

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.

### **48.** SIMONA KRSTEVSKA

BOR DKT. 00242905

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.

### **49.** HEMAMALINI RAMESH

BOR DKT. 00242726

Claimant appealed the Appeal Tribunal decision holding the unemployment claim invalid.

### **50.** AMADA PERRY

BOR DKT. 00236475

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits from 05/03/20 through 01/30/21, under availability for work, from 08/02/20 through 08/15/20 and 10/11/20 through 12/19/20, under ability to work, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### **51.** EULALIA CONTRERAS

BOR DKT. 00239217

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.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE REMAINING 48 CASES AS AFFIRMATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS.

### A-6 REVERSALS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS

### 1. LAURIE ROUSE

BOR DKT, 00222048

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

### 2. JOEL CESPEDES

BOR DKT. 00218303

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

### 3. TONI FAVORETTO

BOR DKT. 00238810

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal which denied the claimant's request for a pre-date of a Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) claim.

### 4. SARAH LUDMIR

BOR DKT. 00242888

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal which denied the claimant's request for a pre-date of an unemployment claim.

### 5. CLOTINA DARDEN

BOR DKT. 00242311

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for a pre-date.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS REVERSALS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS.

### A-7 MODIFICATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS

### 1. CHARLOTTE HUDSON JACKSON

BOR DKT. 00238511

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding an ineligibility for benefits under the ability to work and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### 2. ONICKY MITCHELL

BOR DKT. 00242238

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

### 3. DARREN CABLE

BOR DKT. 00242139

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for PEUC from 06/14/20, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### 4. MACHELLE ORRELL

BOR DKT. 00243104

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

### 5. WILLIAM HO

BOR DKT. 00243208

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for a non-fraud refund.

### **6.** MERRY DELORENZO

BOR DKT. 00244126

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for a non-fraud refund.

### 7. ZACHARY RACUSIN

BOR DKT. 00239129

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act.

### **8.** DIANA SIERRA

BOR DKT. 00238260

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

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASES AS

MODIFICATIONS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS.

### A-8 MODIFICATIONS AND REVERSALS OF APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISIONS

### 1. SERGIO PABON

BOR DKT. 00232930

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for work from 04/12/20 through 10/17/20 and a denial of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits from 04/12/20 through 10/17/20, as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASE AS A

MODIFICATION AND REVERSAL OF AN APPEAL

TRIBUNAL DECISION.

### A-9 REQUESTS FOR RECONSIDERATION FROM THE SUPERIOR COURT

### 1. ALEIXO CARVELHO

BOR DKT. 00209518

Appellate Division granted the Board's motion for remand to obtain additional information regarding the claimant's separation from the employment.

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASE AS A

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FROM THE

SUPERIOR COURT.

### A-10 REMANDS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL OR DEPUTY

### 1. TAKEISHA TALMADGE

BOR DKT. 00237438

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification of benefits under voluntary leaving.

**2.** LISA KIRK BOR DKT. 00236685

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

### 3. EUSEBIO BONILLA

BOR DKT. 00237912

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

### 4. IRMA DELGADO

BOR DKT. 00238012

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits as her unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 reasons identified under the C.A.R.E.S. Act, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### 5. PATRICIA TAVARES

BOR DKT, 00239736

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits from May 24, 2020 as the claimant's unemployment was not due to one of the COVID-19 related reasons identified under the C.A.R.E.S. Act, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### **6.** JOHN SKEHAN

BOR DKT. 00241769

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal affirming the claimant's weekly benefit rate for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits.

### 7. JENNIFER LAWTON

BOR DKT. 00230001

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a claim for unemployment benefits invalid, an ineligibility for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits and a liability to a non-fraud refund.

### 8. ROBERT HOGG

BOR DKT. 00237853

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

### 9. MARTINA RUBIO

BOR DKT. 00240473

Claimant appealed 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 holding the claimant liable for a non-fraud refund.

### 10. BRYAN AULAR GARCIA

BOR DKT. 00237206

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal which dismissed a portion of the appeal and held the claimant ineligible for benefits under employed full-time.

### 11. JOSSELINE GUTIERREZ

BOR DKT. 00241108

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

### **12.** JEANETTE BOYLE

BOR DKT. 00240286

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for extended unemployment compensation, and liable for a non-fraud refund.

### 13. JUAN RAMIREZ

BOR DKT. 00234544

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

### 14. EDWARD GERMADNIG

BOR DKT. 00240085

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

15. RENEE LAKE

BOR DKT. 00238724

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

16. MARGARET GREALIS

BOR DKT. 00241062

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

17. SALVATORE PALERMO

BOR DKT. 00239124

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

**18.** LUCKY BEGUM

BOR DKT. 00233152

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

19. JOSEPH DE MATTEO

BOR DKT. 00240098

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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for a non-fraud refund.

20. VICTOR ANZIANI

BOR DKT. 00242586

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for work and 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 C.A.R.E.S. Act.

**21.** MARLON ESCALANTE

BOR DKT. 00242256

Employer appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no disqualification for benefits for misconduct connected with the work and holding no liability to a non-fraud refund.

### 22. ISISTYKURA HAYLETT

BOR DKT. 00242408

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

### 23. KATHLEEN COSTANEY

BOR DKT. 00242303

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

### **24.** AARONDI NEWSON-WILLIAMS

BOR DKT. 00243115

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

### **25.** RAMONA FLETCHER

BOR DKT. 00241637

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for 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 liable for an agency refund.

### **26.** KLAUS WEIHENIG

BOR DKT. 00241840

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant not unemployed, and, liable for refund.

### **27.** NETSON PRINCE

BOR DKT. 00235202

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a prior voluntary leaving disqualification still in effect and a liability to a non-fraud and agency refund.

### **28.** SHANIA HALL

BOR DKT. 00240414

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

### 29. HENRY SCHEETZ

BOR DKT. 00242689

Employer appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding no 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.

### A-11 AFFIRMED AND REMANDED DECISIONS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL

### 1. JULIA MORALES-ABBUD

BOR DKT. 00235626

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 that subsequent weeks and wages were insufficient to remove the disqualification imposed.

### 2. TANAYSIA CLARKSON

BOR DKT, 00243780

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.

### 3. MICHAEL ARBITELL

BOR DKT. 00241274

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 AFFIRMED AND REMANDED DECISIONS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL.

### A-12 REVERSED AND REMANDED DECISIONS TO THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL

### 1. CATRICE BYRD

BOR DKT. 00242111

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

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE CASE AS A

REVERSED AND REMANDED DECISION TO THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL.

### SECTION B - MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS/CASES FOR DISCUSSION

### **B-1** JARER RAHMAN

BOR DKT. 00242253

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 liable for a non-fraud refund. (**Appellate Specialist Zola**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO AFFIRM THE DECISION OF THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL WITH RESPECT TO THE

DISQUALIFICATION FOR REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 43:21-5(A),

REMAND THE MATTER OF THE CLAIMANT'S

POTENTIAL ELIGIBILITY FOR PANDEMIC

UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (PUA) BENEFITS TO THE DEPUTY TO MAKE AN INITIAL DETERMINATION

AND HOLD THE MATTER OF THE NON-FRAUD REFUND IN ABEYANCE PENDING THE DEPUTY'S

**DETERMINATION FOR PUA BENEFITS.** 

### **B-2** MICHELLE WILLIAMSON

BOR DKT. 00240898

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under actively seeking work, and liable for a non-fraud refund. (**Appellate Specialist Zola**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO AFFIRM THE DECISION OF THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL WITH RESPECT TO THE

INELIGIBILITY FOR REGULAR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FROM APRIL 5, 2020 THROUGH MARCH 6, 2021, UNDER N.J.S.A.43:21-4(c), AND REMAND THE

MATTER OF THE CLAIMANT'S POTENTIAL ELIGIBILITY FOR PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (PUA) BENEFITS TO THE APPEAL

TRIBUNAL.

### **B-3** YULY LENIS

BOR DKT. 00241738

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding the claimant ineligible for benefits under availability for work and liable for a non-fraud refund. (**Appellate Specialist Jackson**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO TABLE THIS CASE FOR FURTHER

REVIEW OF DIVISION RECORDS.

### **B-4** TARYN ONGSIAKO

BOR DKT. 00242137

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause through the mailing date of the deputy's determination and liable for a non-fraud refund. (**Appellate Specialist Jackson**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO REMAND THIS CASE TO THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL FOR ADDITIONAL TESTIMONY REGARDING THE CLAIMANT'S SELF-EMPLOYMENT.

### **B-5** TABASSUM SYED

BOR DKT. 00237471

Claimant appealed 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 liable for an agency refund. (**Appellate Specialist Jackson**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO TABLE THIS CASE FOR FURTHER

REVIEW OF THE UIPL.

### **B-6** GALE SHANNON

BOR DKT. 00240840

Claimant appealed a 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 under the C.A.R.E.S. Act, and liable for a non-fraud refund. (**Appellate Specialist Zola**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO REVERSE THE APPEAL TRIBUNAL

DECISION AND HOLD THE CLAIMANT ELIGIBLE FOR PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (PUA) BENEFITS AS THE CLAIMANT'S UNEMPLOYMENT WAS DUE TO A QUALIFYING REASON UNDER THE C.A.R.E.S. ACT AND NOT LIABLE FOR A NON-FRAUD

REFUND.

### **B-7** MATTHEW MCGOLDRICK

BOR DKT. 00230567

Claimant appealed a decision of the Appeal Tribunal dismissing the appeal as late without good cause through 08/01/20, ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits from 08/02/20, and referred to the Deputy the monetary entitlement. (**Appellate Specialist Zola**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO AFFIRM THE DECISION OF THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL WITH RESPECT TO THE CLAIMANT'S APPEAL BEING DISMISSED ON

TIMELINESS THROUGH AUGUST 1, 2020 AND REMAND

THE MATTER OF WHETHER THE CLAIMANT IS ELIGIBLE FOR PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT

ASSISTANCE (PUA) BENEFITS FROM AUGUST 23, 2020.

### **B-8** BAILA CHERRICK

BOR DKT. 00239428

Claimant appealed the decision of the Appeal Tribunal holding a disqualification of benefits for leaving work voluntarily, 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 C.A.R.E.S. Act and liability for a non-fraud refund. (**Appellate Specialist Alverio**)

ACTION: BOARD VOTED TO MODIFY THE DECISION OF THE

APPEAL TRIBUNAL AND HOLD THE CLAIMANT

ELIGIBLE FOR PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT

ASSISTANCE (PUA) BENEFITS AFTER JUNE 27, 2020, AS THE CLAIMANT'S UNEMPLOYMENT, AS OF THAT DATE, WAS DUE TO A QUALIFYING REASON UNDER

THE C.A.R.E.S. ACT.