

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS COMMISSION

In the Matter of

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[REDACTED]-25-003346

Claimant,

[REDACTED]

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Employer.

REMAND ORDER

On October 10, 2025, the Unemployment Insurance Agency (Agency) issued a redetermination that found the claimant disqualified for benefits under Section 29(1)(b) of the Michigan Employment Security Act. The claimant timely appealed the redetermination, and a hearing was scheduled before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) for October 30, 2025. On October 31, 2025, the ALJ issued an order dismissing the claimant's appeal for lack of prosecution because the claimant did not appear for the hearing.

This case is now before the Unemployment Insurance Appeals Commission (Commission) on the claimant's timely appeal from the ALJ's order.

The claimant has requested that she be allowed to present arguments, oral and written, and be permitted to submit additional evidence. However, the claimant did not submit her requests in a manner consistent with Mich Admin Code, R (Rule) 792.11420, Rule 792.11421, and Rule 792.11423. Consequently, the claimant's requests are denied.

In her appeal to the Commission, the claimant asserts that she was unable to participate in the hearing because her cellular telephone had been turned off for non-payment.

The standard for rehearing of an ALJ's order or decision is as follows:

Reasons for requesting a rehearing include, but are not limited to, good cause for not appearing at a hearing or the discovery of material evidence after the date of the hearing.

Mich Admin Code, R 792.11414(2).

The claimant may have good cause for her absence from the hearing. Accordingly, the ALJ's order must be set aside, and this matter remanded to the ALJ for a hearing, as set forth below.

THEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, the ALJ's order is set aside.

FURTHERMORE, this matter is remanded to the ALJ to take evidence on:

- (1) the reasons the claimant failed to appear at the prior hearing and/or any other reason to grant rehearing under Rule 792.11414(2); and
- (2) the merits of the claimant's appeal of the underlying Agency redetermination.

If the ALJ grants rehearing, the ALJ shall state the reasons therefor in the decision and proceed to adjudicate the appeal on the underlying redetermination.

If after receiving evidence, the ALJ decides to deny rehearing, the ALJ shall issue a decision or order accordingly, which should also include reissuing the original lack of prosecution order.

The Commission retains no jurisdiction in this matter.



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George Wyatt III, Commissioner



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Mikhail Albuseiri, Commissioner



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William J. Runco, Commissioner

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