## STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

## ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

Claimant

Reg. No: 2009-32715

Issue No: 2026

Case No:

Load No:

Hearing Date: October 7, 2009 Wayne County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jonathan W. Owens

## ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on October 7, 2009. Claimant appeared and testified.

Under Program Administrative Manual Item 600, clients have the right to contest any agency decision affecting eligibility or benefit levels whenever they believe the decision is illegal. The department provides an Administrative Hearing to review the decision and determine if it is appropriate. Department policy includes procedures to meet the minimal requirements for a fair hearing. Efforts to clarify and resolve the client's concerns start when the department receives a hearing request and continues through the day of the hearing.

In the present case, on July 7, 2009 the Claimant requested a hearing, protesting the spend down amount. During the hearing the Department was informed of child support payments which the Claimant was making that the Department had not included in the budget.

The Department agreed to complete a new budget to include the child support payments which

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would at least reduce the spend-down amount but likely the Claimant would still have a spend down. The Claimant agreed to this action. Since the parties have reached an agreement no issue remains for this ALJ to determine.

Therefore, Claimant's hearing request is hereby DISMISSED.

Jonathan W. Owens Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed. Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: 10/20/09

Date Mailed: 10/20/09

**NOTICE**: Administrative Hearings may order a rehearing or reconsideration on either its own motion or at the request of a party within 30 days of the mailing date of this Decision and Order. Administrative Hearings will not order a rehearing or reconsideration on the Department's motion where the final decision cannot be implemented within 90 days of the filing of the original request.

The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the receipt of the Decision and Order or, if a timely request for rehearing was made, within 30 days of the receipt date of the rehearing decision.

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