

STATE OF MICHIGAN
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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2011-43656
Issue No.: 2005
Case No.: [REDACTED]
Hearing Date: October 13, 2011
DHS County: Wayne (18)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Michael J. Bennane

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9; MSA 16.409 and MCL 400.37; M SA 16.437 upon the claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice a telephone hearing was held from Detroit, Michigan on October 13, 2011. The claimant was represented by [REDACTED], and interpreted by [REDACTED].

ISSUE

Did the Department of Human Services (Department) properly deny the claimant's State Disability Assistance (SDA)?

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the competent, material and substantial evidence on the whole record, finds as material fact:

1. On June 21, 2011, the Department denied the claimant's SDA.
2. On June 21, 2011, the claimant filed a request for a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The State Disability Assistance (SDA) program which provides financial assistance for disabled persons is established by 2004 PA 344. The Department of Human Services (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MAC R 400.3151-400.3180. Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Bridges Reference Manual (BRM).

In the instant case, the Department denied the claimant's SDA as not being a qualified alien.

SDA

A qualified alien who was receiving SSI on August 22, 1996.
A qualified alien who was lawfully residing in the U.S. (see below). on August 22, 1996, and is now blind or disabled according to SSI standards. (BEM 225, p. 8).

This Administrative Law Judge finds that the Department was correct in its denial of the claimant's SDA application.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, AFFIRMS the Department's action in the instant case.



Michael J. Bennane
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: November 1, 2011

Date Mailed: November 1, 2011

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The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the mailing 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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 - the failure of the ALJ to address other relevant issues in the hearing decision.

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