

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

NATASHA EARLY,
Appellant,
vs.
THE STATE OF NEVADA
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION;
AND KIMBERLY GAA [NOW, LYNDIA
PARVEN] IN HER CAPACITY AS
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION,
Respondents.

No. 82721-COA

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BY S. Young
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ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE AND EXPEDITING APPEAL

This is a pro se appeal from a district court order denying a petition for a writ of mandamus concerning a claim for unemployment benefits. In the petition, appellant asserted that respondents improperly processed her August 2020 application as a new claim, instead of under her previous 2019 claim, resulting in a reduction of available benefits. Although appellant asserted that writ relief was appropriate because all efforts to redress the matter directly with respondents went unanswered, the district court ultimately dismissed the petition for failure to exhaust administrative remedies. Appellant has now filed, in this court, an emergency motion seeking expedited review of this appeal, citing personal hardship. Respondents have opposed the motion.

Based upon our review of appellant's June 25, 2021, informal brief and the documents transmitted to this court as part of this appeal, we conclude that a response is warranted. Accordingly, respondents shall have 21 days from the date of this order to file and serve a response addressing the issues raised in this appeal and the arguments made in appellant's June

25 brief. In responding, particular attention should be paid to appellant's argument that her attempts to redress the matter with respondents directly were unsuccessful, including her assertions that she filed several administrative appeals from the claim and benefits determinations but respondents did not, and apparently still have not, acted on or acknowledged those appeals. The response shall comply with NRAP 28 and NRAP 32. Appellant shall have 14 days from when the response is served to file and serve any reply. *See* NRAP 28(k). For the purposes of NRAP 28(e), the response and any reply shall cite to the record on appeal transmitted by the district court clerk. While we deny appellant's emergency motion to the extent she seeks a decision by October 28, 2021, we grant it in part, such that, upon completion of briefing, this matter will be expedited to the extent the court's docket allows.

It is so ORDERED.

 _____, C.J.

cc: Natasha Early
State of Nevada/DETR