

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Waite v. Moto One KTM, L.L.C.

Docket No. 47845

This appeal concerns a decision by the Idaho Industrial Commission (“Commission”) requiring Douglas M. Waite to repay the unemployment benefits he received, along with interest and penalties. Waite asserts the Commission’s determination that he willfully misstated a material fact for the purpose of obtaining unemployment benefits was not supported by substantial and competent evidence and was incorrect as a matter of law. Additionally, Waite contends the Commission erred, as a matter of law, when it concluded that Idaho Code section 72-1366(12) requires him to repay the unemployment benefits he received. Waite timely appealed the Commission’s decision to the Idaho Supreme Court.

The Idaho Supreme Court held there is substantial and competent evidence to support the Commission’s determination that Waite willfully made a false statement when he reported he was laid off due to a lack of work. Next, the Court held that the Commission did not err as a matter of law when it concluded that Waite willfully misstated a material fact for the purpose of obtaining unemployment benefits. Finally, the Court held that the Commission did not err when it concluded as a matter of law that Idaho Code section 72-1366(12) requires Waite to repay the unemployment benefits he received. Thus, the Court affirmed the Commission’s decision.

This summary constitutes no part of the opinion of the Court, but has been prepared by court staff for the convenience of the public.