For Louisiana Unemployment.

By now, they should have corrected most of the accounts in getting them moved forward. The additional \$300 has begun paying out with week ending 1/2/2021.

If you were on an **EXTENSION** and it had the 12/26/2020 end date on it, then it should now say 3/13/2021. If you haven't tried to file a weekly certification this week, PLEASE do it now. Be sure to pay attention to the dates in the questions since it is letting people grab the week ending 12/26/2020 if it had not been reported. Always report accurately.

If you had been through two extensions and filed for another extension and got a Monetarily Ineligible letter, It may not be fixed yet. Please email me with your username and password. Some of the accounts are really screwed up so it is taking some time for them to straighten them out. Try to include where you copied and pasted your claim summary so I can use that to go back to.

If you were just finishing your 26 weeks of unemployment because you were lucky enough to work on another project and you NOW have a monetary exhaustion, you should FILE a NEW CLAIM. This will actually be for an extension. – if you have not worked since you last reopened your claim, then you can click have not worked since last filing. Use the instructions <u>here</u>.

If your claim has not been paying out, upload your driver's license and social security card. There is probably a message in your message center asking you to do so. Click on that link and upload it again if you had already done it with the attached instructions. I have seen some people receive confirmation messages.

If you receive a disqualifying determination, or they ask for funds back. Please let me know. We probably have to do an appeal.

If you have any other sort of issue with unemployment, If your phone rings – answer it even if it is blocked or unknown. They make one phone call and that is the only chance you get. Check your spam / junk email to make sure you are not missing something from them. If you feel the email seems odd, forward it to me and I'll try to get it verified for you. They may ask for check stubs for a certain period. Also watch your mail. These don't show up in your message center for some reason.

If you have a Benefit Control Audit listed in your outstanding issues – Let me know. They suck and take FOREVER. It will not be a fast process. Also see paragraph above. Keep filing your weekly certifications.

I'm watching a seminar about everything in the recent bill tomorrow, so hopefully I'll have more information next week.

STIMULUS PAYMENTS

If you have a question about your stimulus payment, please go to <u>https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment</u> Then click on the blue Get My Payment button. You will need your social, date of birth, mailing address (that you use on your tax return). It will give you a response with information about your first and second payment and your eligibility. They have not programmed the widget to tell you why the second one is not processed or yet.

Annuity Withdrawals

Annuity withdrawals due to COVID now require proof of need due. Taxes also may no longer be deferred. This MAY change in the next few weeks with the transition of administration.

Sorry for the slow reply on some of these. There are a lot of unread emails in my inbox and voice messages. I'm slowly trudging through them. Please try to just email. I can track what needs taken care of best that way.