Case No: 2600097/2024



EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS

Claimant: Mr A. Urbonas

Respondent: Fruehauf Limited

Heard at: Midlands East On: 11, 12 and 30 September

2024.

Before:

Employment Judge Rachel Broughton sitting alone.

Representatives

Claimant: Ms Urbonas – daughter in law Respondent: Ms Parsons - Munn – counsel

Lithuanian translator in attendance to assist the claimant.

JUDGMENT

The judgment of the Tribunal is that:

- 1. The claim for wrongful dismissal is **not** well founded and is dismissed.
- 2. The claim for unfair dismissal pursuant to section 94 and 98 ERA is well founded and **succeeds**.
- 3. The respondent is ordered to pay the claimant the following amounts:

3.1 : Basic Award of : £9,582.30; and

3.2: A compensatory award: £1,698.70

4. The above sums have been **calculated** as follows:

Calculations:

4.1 Net weekly salary when working for the respondent:£453 per week

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- 4.2 Basic award of £10,647
- 4.3 Loss of statutory rights: £500
- 4.4 Awarded 5 weeks loss of earnings from date of dismissal: £453 x 5
- 4.5 Further 4 weeks losses awarded on basis of the difference between £453 and claimant's pay in his new job using an average from the 4 payslips available (which provides for a weekly figure of £401 net). £52 net difference in pay x 4 weeks = £208
- 4.6 Plus employers pension contribution using average from payslips [pages 93 and 95] of £19 per week x 9 weeks =£172
- 4.7 Subtotal compensatory award of (£2,265 + £208 + £172 = £2,645.74)

4.8 Order of adjustments

- 4.7.1.Polkey(compensatory only): £2,645.74 plus £500(loss of statutory rights)= £3145.74 divided by 50% =£1572.87
- 4.7.2 ACAS uplift (20%) to compensatory award = £314.57
- 4.7.3 Contributory fault (10% basic and compensatory):
- 4.7.3.1 Basic:£10,647 less 10% compensatory = discount to be applied of £1,064.70
- 4.7.3.2 Compensatory less 10% = £1572.87 plus £314.57 (ACAS uplift)=£1887.44 less 10% which is discount of £188.74

The recoupment provisions do not apply.

Employment Judge Broughton

Date: 30 September 2024

JUDGMENT SENT TO THE PARTIES ON 30 September 2024 FOR THE TRIBUNAL OFFICE

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