

## **Unemployment Insurance**Overview of the Benefits Appeals Process

ODJFS sends a
Determination of
Unemployment Benefits
(decision) to the claimant
and employer(s). Benefits
are allowed or disallowed.



Claimant and/or employer(s) can file an appeal for ODJFS to reconsider its decision. (Appeal must be made within 21 days.)



ODJFS reviews appeal and sends a Redetermination of Unemployment Benefits (decision) to the claimant and employer(s). Benefits are allowed or disallowed.



UCRC sends a Decision to claimant and employer(s). Benefits are allowed or disallowed.



UCRC sends a notice of upcoming hearing to claimant and interested parties and holds a hearing.



Claimant and/or employer(s) can file an appeal to UCRC. (Appeal must be made within 21 days.)



Claimant or employer(s) can file a Request for Higher Authority Review by the UCRC Commission. (Appeal must be made within 21 days.)



The UCRC Commission makes a decision and issues to interested parties.



Claimant and/or employer(s) can appeal to a local court of common pleas as well as make further appeal to courts of higher levels. (Appeal must be made within 30 days.)

## Key

ODJFS – Ohio
Department of Job and
Family Services

UCRC – Unemployment Compensation Review Commission

Claimant/Employer Appeal Rights

Action by ODJFS

Action by UCRC

Important: During the appeals process, the claimant must continue to file weekly unemployment claims in order to be paid benefits for those weeks if the claim is eventually approved.

This overview of the process does not list all of the requirements for an appeal.