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You are hereby notified that the Court has entered the following opinion and order:

2025AP472

Alexander D. Neal v. Labor and Industry Review Commission
(L.C. # 2024CV1549)

Before Donald, C.J., Colón, P.J., and Geenen, J.

Summary disposition orders may not be cited in any court of this state as precedent or authority, except for the limited purposes specified in WIS. STAT. RULE 809.23(3).

The Labor and Industry Review Commission (LIRC) appeals from a circuit court order remanding LIRC's decision finding Alexander D. Neal ineligible for unemployment benefits. Based upon our review of the brief and record, we conclude at conference that this case is appropriate for summary disposition. See WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21 (2023-24).¹ The circuit

¹ All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2023-24 version.

court's order is summarily reversed as a sanction against Neal for failing to file a respondent's brief. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.83(2).

Neal requested judicial review of a LIRC decision finding him ineligible for unemployment benefits during week 43 of 2023. The circuit court remanded the matter to LIRC for further proceedings after finding that LIRC's decision was not supported by credible and substantial evidence. LIRC appealed the circuit court's decision to this court and Neal did not file a respondent's brief.

By order dated June 17, 2025, we provided a notice of the delinquency and required Neal to file a respondent's brief within five days. Neal did not respond. We then issued a second order giving Neal additional time to file a brief and warning that the failure to file a respondent's brief put the appeal at risk of summary reversal. Neal again did not respond. We then directed that the appeal be submitted to the court to review whether the appeal could be decided based solely upon the appellant's brief and the record.

By order dated June 10, 2026, we informed Neal that we would summarily reverse this appeal if he failed to file the respondent's brief within fourteen days. Our order specifically stated that failure to file the respondent's brief as directed would constitute an abandonment of the appeal. *See Raz v. Brown*, 2003 WI 29, ¶36, 260 Wis. 2d 614, 660 N.W.2d 647. We have not received a response of any kind from Neal, and no respondent's brief has been filed.

Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the order appealed is summarily reversed as a sanction for failure to file the respondent's brief. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.83(2).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this summary disposition order will not be published.

Samuel A. Christensen
Clerk of Court of Appeals