

## UPDATE: DETR Lawsuit Successful - Claim Filing Begins Saturday, May 16 @ 8:00 a.m.

ATTENTION: Self-employed individuals, independent contractors, and owners of sole proprietorships who do not pay themselves as W-2 employees

The Nevada Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation ("DETR") has announced that it will begin accepting applications for gig workers on Saturday, May 16, at 8:00 a.m. Here is the web link to apply for benefits and telephone numbers if you have questions:

https://detr.nv.gov/Page/Pandemic\_Unemployment\_Assistance(PUA)

A dedicated phone line has been set up for questions:

## 1 (800) 603-9681

If you are denied benefits through the new process or have problems call DETR directly at:

Southern Nevada: (702) 486-0350 Northern Nevada: (775) 684-0350

## YOU MUST APPLY and PROVIDE the requested information or your claim may be denied. Even if you previously applied and were denied, we urge everyone to apply again.

Our lawsuit, and the press it generated, pushed DETR to move its start date from May 31 up to May 16. Thierman Buck will review the operational aspects of the portal to make sure it is up and running before voluntarily withdrawing our request for the emergency Order to Show Cause. We will also continue to review the program to determine whether further legal action is warranted.

Thank you to our named plaintiffs and all those who contacted us. Thierman Buck will continue to provide updates as the situation develops. Thierman Buck may also be contacting the "not-so-independent" contractors working for large corporations like Lyft and Uber about additional rights they may wish to pursue.

You can receive ongoing information about the case on our Web site at https://thiermanbuck.com/detr-adv-payne/ and "News" sections.

Again, thank you for your inquiry, stay healthy, and we will continue to fight for your rights. *Thierman Buck, LLP*