**UNEMPLOYMENT APPEAL LETTER**

Dear **[Name]**,

My name is **[Your Name]**, and I'm appealing the judgment of Edward Giles, the hearing officer for the Employment Development Department, made on July 31, 20XX. I feel the EDD unjustly denied my unemployment benefits, and I want to challenge the judgment.

On June 15, 20XX, I was fired from my position as a paralegal at the **[Firm’s Name]** Law Firm. Ms. Angela Zimmerman, the office administrator, indicated that because the business had lost a significant customer, there was no longer enough work for me and that my position will be abolished immediately.

That day, I packed my belongings and left the company. As I was leaving the building, I was given a cheque for the two weeks of vacation that I had not yet taken.

The next week, a former paralegal coworker, Mary Grace, called to tell me that Ms. Zimmerman had just recruited one of the law partner's nieces as a paralegal.

The newly recruited employee sat at my old workstation and began completing the tasks that I had been doing for barely a week. There was enough work for me, but I was fired due to nepotism. Ms. Grace is willing to testify about these incidents at a hearing.

I'd be grateful if you could rethink my unemployment benefits denial as soon as possible. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Cordially,

**[Name]**