

**MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS  
WESTERN DISTRICT**

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COMPLETE TITLE OF CASE:

JULIE R. RINGER,

Respondent

v.

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES.

Appellant

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DOCKET NUMBER WD70489

DATE: January 12, 2010

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Appeal From:

Circuit Court of Cole County, MO  
The Honorable Richard G. Callahan, Judge

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Appellate Judges:

Division Three: James Edward Welsh, P.J., Mark D. Pfeiffer, and Karen King Mitchell, JJ.

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**MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY  
MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS, WESTERN DISTRICT**

**JULIE R. RINGER, Respondent, v. MISSOURI DEPARTMENT  
OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES, Appellant.**

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Before Division Three Judges: Welsh, P.J., Pfeiffer, and Mitchell, JJ.

The Missouri Department of Health and Human Services notified Julie Rose Ringer that it intended to place her name, for a period of three years, on the Employee Disqualification List because she recklessly or knowingly abused residents of a licensed nursing home facility. Ringer requested and received a hearing on the matter before the Department's hearing officer. Thereafter, the Director of the Division of Regulation and Licensure of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services issued a decision affirming the Department's decision to place Ringer on the Employee Disqualification List. Ringer sought review of this decision in the circuit court, and the circuit court overturned the Director's decision. As the party aggrieved by the circuit court's decision, the Department filed a notice of appeal to this court.

**REVERSED AND REMANDED.**

**Division Three holds:**

Because we review the agency's decision and not the circuit court's decision, this court, pursuant to Rule 84.05(e), designated Ringer to file the opening brief. Ringer, however, failed to file a brief and, therefore, failed to preserve any issue for appellate review. Thus, we reverse the circuit court's judgment and remand with directions to reinstate the decision of the Director.

**Opinion by: James Edward Welsh, Judge**

January 12, 2010

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