

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL
FIRST DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA

JASON EDWARD HETZ,

Appellant,

v.

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO
FILE MOTION FOR REHEARING AND
DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED

CASE NO. 1D13-0080

REEMPLOYMENT
ASSISTANCE APPEALS
COMMISSION and E G
SYSTEMS INC.,

Appellees.

Opinion filed February 18, 2013.

An appeal from an order of the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission.
Alan Orantes Forst, Chairman.

Jason Edward Hetz, pro se, Appellant.

Norman A. Blessing, General Counsel, Reemployment Assistance Appeals
Commission, Tallahassee, for Appellees.

PER CURIAM.

To be timely, a notice of appeal must be filed with the appropriate court
within 30 days of rendition of the order on appeal. Fla. R. App. P. 9.110(b).
Merely mailing the notice or having the notice placed in a post office box within
the required time period is not sufficient. Raysor v. Raysor, 706 So. 2d 400, 401

(Fla. 1st DCA 1998). Further, the filing of a notice of appeal is jurisdictional. Florida courts are required to dismiss an appeal if the notice is not filed within the applicable time limit. See Miami-Dade County v. Peart, 843 So. 2d 363 (Fla. 3d DCA 2003).

Here, the order was rendered on December 5, 2012. The thirtieth day following rendition was January 4, 2013. Although appellant represents that he mailed the notice within 30 days of rendition, appellant's notice of appeal was not filed with the court until January 7, 2013. Therefore, the Court's jurisdiction was not timely invoked and the appeal must be dismissed as untimely.

DISMISSED.

VAN NORTWICK, LEWIS, and SWANSON, JJ., CONCUR.