

October 3, 2012

Hon. Shelly C. Chapman
One Bowling Green
Courtroom 621
New York, New York 10004-1408

Dear Judge Chapman:

I am Joyce G. Stevens, an 80-year-old widow, living in Central City, Kentucky. My husband, Edward G. Stevens, spent thirty-one years working for Peabody Coal Company as a member of the United Mine Workers of America. We were comfortable thinking our cost of health care would be provided for into our advanced age.

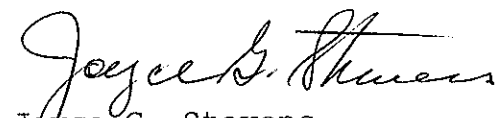
I am writing concerning the possibility that the filing of bankruptcy by Patriot Coal Company, a company owned by Peabody, may possibly cause me to lose my health care insurance.

I live on my Social Security retirement and a small portion of the retirement that my late husband received from UMWA when he retired in 1987. I have several medical problems for which I take daily medication and which require me to have regular visits to my physicians; namely Dr. Barry Hardison in Powderly, Kentucky, a primary care physician; and Dr. K. G. Sahetya, a cardiologist practicing in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

If I lose my health care insurance I will not be able to pay for my medications and visits to the physicians, and still provide for my housing and food requirements; therefore I am pleading with you not to relieve Patriot Coal Company and the parent company, Peabody Coal Company of their responsibilities to me and all other members who are in the same situation.

Thank you for giving this matter your consideration.

Yours truly,



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