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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
SPARTA, ILLINOIS

To the Bankruptcy Judge:

On December 7, 1973, I began work for Peabody Coal at the Baldwin Underground Mine at Marissa, IL. I became a union employee and was promised that with 20 years of service and age of 55 I would be eligible for retirement with full Health Care for my spouse and I. When the mine closed in mid December of 1993 because of coal sales, I had my 20 years of service in. At age 55 I decided to take my retirement.

I worked over 19 years of my employment as a repairman. Because of the terrain in the underground mine and the heavy lifting, I injured both of my ankles. I have had a complete ankle replacement on my right ankle. My doctor wants to do the same thing with the left ankle. I know that if I lose my health benefits, I will not be able to have this second surgery.

Please try to do the fair thing in making Peabody Coal (Patriot Coal, or whatever they want to call themselves) uphold their promise of lifetime health coverage for retired miners and their spouses who are eligible.

Sincerely,

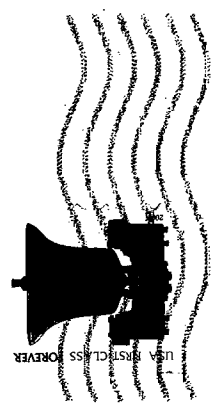


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THE HONORABLE KATHY A. SURRATT - STATES
Re: CASE No. 12-51502
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