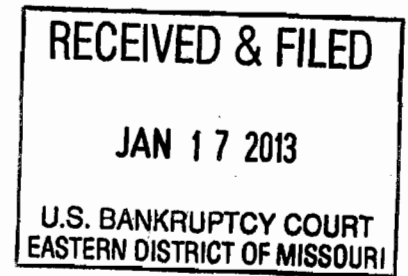


January 15th, 2013

Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse
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Re: Case No. 12-51502

To The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States

My husband worked for Peabody Coal Co. for 25 years in Southern Illinois. The mine shut down in 1993 and over 800 miner lost their jobs. My husband worked hard for the Company for those many years. After the mine closed he was given a choice to retire with 25 years of service and lock in the health insurance for him and me for our life time or he could relocate to another mine and continue to work somewhere else. He thought that at his age and health problems it would be in our best interest to retire and lock in the health benefits.

The health benefits that he worked for and was promised were so helpful because he suffered a stroke, diabetes, then Alzheimer's and then death in 2006. We have always been grateful that our health benefits were locked in and that was one last worry we had.

I now at age 68 have some health problems also and if I lost the benefits I couldn't afford any insurance. I have a limited income that doesn't allow money for more insurance.

We were promised that we would have health benefits for our life time and I believe the Coal Co. should keep their promises.

Sincerely,

Betty Docksteiner wife of (Allan Docksteiner)

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