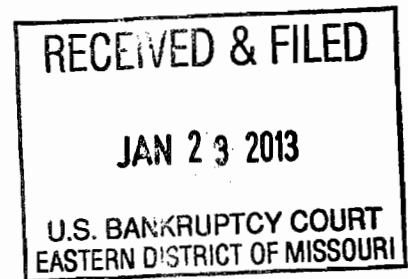


Carol Rheinecker
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January 18, 2013



The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States
Re: Case Number 12-51502
Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street, 4th Floor
St. Louis, MO 63102

Your Honor:

I am writing in response to the case number 12-51502 for the bankruptcy case dealing with Arch, Peabody, and Patriot Coal Companies.

My father, Harold Louis, worked at the Arch Mineral Mines on Pyatts Black Top for a very long time. Long enough to receive a twenty year pension from the years of service he put into Arch. It sadness me to think that yet another corporation can possibly default on a binding contract that was settled on years ago simply by filing bankruptcy.

My father passed away from health issues in 2010. Since then the pension my father was receiving was cut to a third of what it was, so my mother is living on less than if my father was still alive. I am appealing to you not to let Arch, Peabody, and Patriot Coal possibly be able to not honor the contract that was signed so many years ago. Taking away the insurance would be a hardship on my mother, Sharon Louis, and many like her.

I have enclosed pictures of my father and mother so you can put a face to the people that Arch, Peabody and Patriot are trying to strip of the benefits they promised so many years ago.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol Rheinecker". The signature is fluid and extends across the width of the page.

Carol Rheinecker

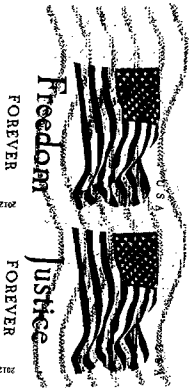
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