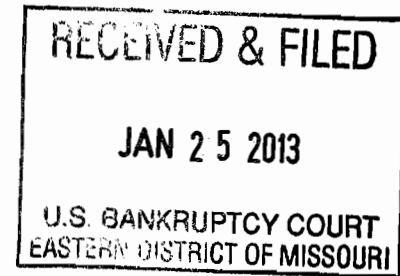


The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States
Re: Case No. 12-51502
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In 1988, while working as a union worker at Peabody Lightfoot # 1 mine, I was injured when the mine wall collapsed and crushed me under a large piece of coal and rock.

The injury left me as a T-12 paraplegic and have been confined to a wheelchair since that day.

At the time of my accident I was told by members of Peabody management that they would be there for me and my family and I need not worry because they knew I was seriously injured and would take care of me and my family.

A few years back, Peabody spun off part of their West Virginia operations along with most of their retirees and called the new company Patriot Coal.

Peabody knew at the time that Patriot was not a large enough company to pay health and retirement benefits for such a large group of retirees.

The United Mine Workers President, Cecil Roberts has been giving us regular updates about negotiations with Patriot and says they want to terminate health care to all disabled and retired workers and their families.

Patriot Coal has recently refused to pay for medication that I use to control pain associated with my injury.

If Patriot is allowed to discontinue our health benefits and stops paying into our retirement fund, they will not only cause pandemonium to our retirees, they will also cause financial disaster to our economy.

Patriot should not be allowed to break the promises that they made to me, my family, or other former employees and their families.

If you would like to contact me this is my phone number
(304) 369-3500.

Thank You

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry D. Clark".

Henry D. Clark

Debra J. Clark - Spouse *Debra J. Clark*

cc: UMWA International Union, c/o Patriot Campaign

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