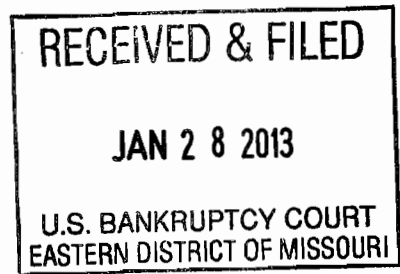


The Honorable Kathy A. Surrant-States
Re: Case No 12-51502
Thomas F. Eagleton, U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street, 4th Floor
St. Louis, MO 63102



Honorable Judge Surrant-States:

I have worked for Peabody Coal Company for almost twenty five years, being eligible for retirement benefit after 20 years. As a Peabody employee I was promised retirement and healthcare benefits for me and my family "from the cradle to the grave". If we did not have the benefits for health care and Retirement it would bring a hardship to my family.

Five years ago my wife was diagnosed with breast cancer. All her treatments , Radiation, Chemotherapy, prescription drugs and shots at the end of each week of treatment cost thousands of dollars.

She is a 5 year survivor now, but with Cancer there are no guarantees that it will not come back.

If it were necessary for her to repeat chemotherapy and radiation without the promised healthcare and retirement benefits we would have to spend our life savings would be forced to sell our home. Even with reasonable health my wife and I take maintenance medicine for high blood pressure, high cholesterol

Working in the coal mine was not easy. It was hard work with long hours away from my family. I worked the long hours and extra days to remain eligible for my healthcare and retirements benefits

It is not fair for the coal companies to try to break their promise to pay for health and retirement that miners and their families have sacrificed so much for.

Please, your honor do not allow the coal companies to take the benefits , especially the health care that I and other miners have worked so hard. for.

Sincerely,



Gary W. Leonard

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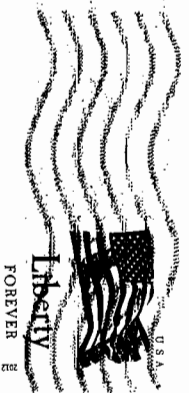
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