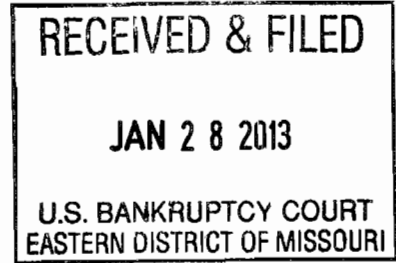


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RE: CASE NO. 12-51502
THOMAS E. EAGLETON U.S. COURTHOUSE
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To the Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States,

I would like to beg your attention toward the fact of the action that is being made on my health care benefits from the Peabody Coal Company and how much it means to me and my wife.

I worked 22 years with Peabody and only missed 1 day during this time. My health was failing so I decided to retire, knowing that our health plan had been promised to us for the rest of my life.

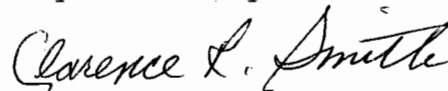
Since that time my health has gotten worse and am no longer able to care for myself. The only security and comfort that we have is our health care benefits that Peabody has promised us. The pressure of not having our health care plan would be more than we could possibly endure.

They promised us. I pray and beg you to hear, and understand just how hard this would be for us, and how devastating it would be for all the retired miners.

Please do not let them go back on their word of a secure health care plan and hold them responsible for the promises made to us,

Thank you for hearing our plea.

Very Sincerely,



Clarence R. Smith, RETIREE

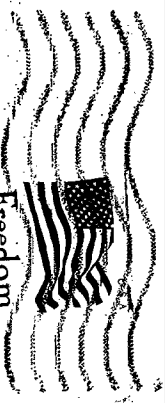
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