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EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

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Dear Honorable Judge States:

My husband worked for Peabody and Patriot coal co. for 30 years. He went to work lots of times when he wasn't able, trying to provide for us then and to have a retirement later.

Now that he's retired and we were suppose to get this medical care and retirement money till death. The Company's are trying to do away with everything.

What will we do? Not only us, everyone involved in getting this retirement. We need our medical + retirement. My husband has A. Fib. heart condition, and we both have to take other meds. for other conditions that we have. We could not afford these even with Medicare help. we never dreamed our benefits would be taken away.

If This is allowed to happen to us "old folks" how will the younger miners be encouraged

to continue in the mining industry knowing their retirement & medical can be taken away.

also if the Coal Companies can do this -- then the other Companies can do it too.

This is America. Do we not care & value our employees more than this?

We were proud we weren't a burden to our children. looks like that might change. our kids have enough trouble making ends meet themselves.

Thank you for taking time to read this. God Bless you & yours
God Bless the Coal Miners & families.
God Bless and help us all.

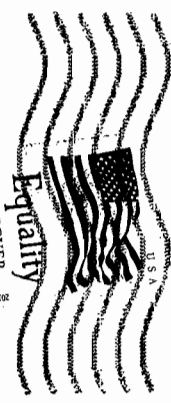
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