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Dear Honorable Shelley C. Chapman,

I am writing in regards to Patriot Bankruptcy. We pray we don't loose our benefits and retirement that I worked for.

It is critical we keep what we worked for! I stood in water daily along with low coal to provide a living for my family with benefits at retirement.

We have no savings, as the cost of living is above our low income. At this point in our lives, neither my wife or myself is able to go out and get a job to try and get health insurance. The social security we both receive, would never allow us to buy health insurance. We depend on UMWA to supply our health needs.

As time has gone on, my health has rapidly declined. My breathing is impaired along

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With a severe cough. I have been to many doctors about my hearing also. Though I wear hearing aids, I have been told I have one ear that is deaf and very close to the same in my other ear. I have one ankle that swells all the time. I've been told to sit with it propped up to help with the bad circulation I have now. These problems require specific doctors, special tests, medications and X-rays.

My wife has been diagnosed with many health problems. She is a diabetic, has C.O.P.D. She has had cancer twice and right now is in remission. However she was diagnosed with invasive carcinoma which of course spreads to a new area. All her treatments requires many doctors, special medications, MRI's, X-Rays, blood work, Cancer and Lung Centers.

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She buried her only son in december of this year, due to Cancer. Her eldest daughter was diagnosed with breast cancer. The youngest daughter has leukemia of the blood. Unfortunately, my wife needed to be seen by a psychiatrist, to help with her children's health problems.

I ask you your honor, to have a heart for the people who worked underground, to bring home a paycheck for their families. When we kissed our families good-bye in the morning, we never knew if we would see them again due to the danger and conditions we all had to work under. We also qualified for the benefits we were promised.

Sincerely yours,
William A + Valerie A. Wills