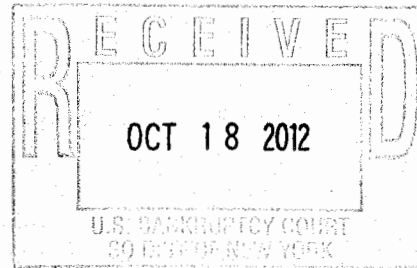


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Your Honor:

I am writing this letter for my 95 year old mother. I am trustee of her estate and have Power of Attorney for all of her decision making needs. My mother's name is Velma O. Grundhoefer and she has been a widow since 1980. During the last 32 years her only source of income has been her Social Security and the UMWA retirement checks. She is currently on eight (8) different kinds of medication to treat both her heart disease and Parkinson's disease. She currently is living at her home. I and my siblings insure that all of her needs are taken care of.

My father Raymond Grundhoefer was a member of the UMWA and worked for Peabody coal in Warrick County, Indiana for approximately 38 years and was working in the mines up to about 8 months prior to his death. He died of cancer in 1980.


For the past 32 years my mother has been living off of her pension and social security. We, as her children, have been thankful for this and also for her medical insurance she has received from the UMWA during this time period.

Additionally, with her UMWA pension, health care insurance and Social Security she has been able to live her life at her home (with outside assistance) versus a nursing home. Our fears are that if her miners pension and medical insurance is discontinued we would not have any alternative but to place her in a nursing home. Which, you well know, is not the ideal place to spend your final years?

Per this letter I am requesting that you give the above consideration when you make your decision regarding the outcome of the current lawsuit.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours truly,


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