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Dear your Honorable Judges, and Honorable Presidents or To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Robert Dillon Justice. I am a descendent of the Hatfield and McCoy families. My great-grandfather left Pikeville, Kentucky in the late 1800s. He feared for my grandfather's life who was 6 years of age at the time. My grandfather was born March 25, 1887. The family was afraid that he would grow up and one of the sides of the families would take his life. My great-grandfather's brothers had the same fear for their families so they joined a wagon train leaving Pikeville, Kentucky traveling towards Charleston, West Virginia. They were poor broke farmers.

As rough as the journey by wagon would have been in the 1800s, one of the wheels broke on my great-grandfather's brother's wagon. This happened near Gilbert, West Virginia. This is where he settled and the community is known as Justice, West Virginia.

My great-grandfather made it to the Logan and Boone County line in West Virginia. At Trace Fork of Big Creek, WV, the wheel on his wagon broke. He settled there and had more children. One of his sons, Oakey Justice, became Sheriff of Logan County, WV.

My grandfather and my father were the most honest people that I have ever known in my life. Your word was there honor and Their word was their honor in trade, deal or borrow. I never knew them ever telling a falsehood.

One of the other brother's made it to Fork Creek in Boone County, WV before the wheel on his wagon broke. The others they lost contact with. Unfortunately for us, they didn't make it out of the coal fields.

My grandfather and my uncles farmed, worked on saw mills and pony mined to see that we were all fed. My dad learned the skill of running bulldozers. Unfortunately for him, in those days bulldozers did not have air conditioning canopies and he died the death of silicosis. My dad worked on building Interstate 79, other interstates in this area, East Lynn Dam, Corridor G, Eastern Associated Coal at Harris and strip jobs here and there. Times were hard then and vehicles were scare. A person had to journey far for work. If their vehicle broke, they lost their job.

Our fathers were fighting hard to form the United Mine Workers of America (UMWA). I believe like the Holy Bible, the UMWA contract was written with a lot of thought put into it and was equal for all coal miners, inspired by the Holy Spirit and the hand of Almighty God, like the Holy Bible.

Coal is what makes our nation a strong and feared nation in battle. Coal keeps America independent from other nations that has more gas and oil. If worse would come to worse, America can survive with coal alone.

God has blessed the United States of America with some of the best coal resources for making the best steel in the world. It is a resource that we should keep for ourselves, but no matter where it's sold, here or overseas, our government should see that the health and retirement fund isn't undermined and sold at a cheap price no matter if it takes ten miners or 110,000 miners, our government should keep in mind that if it is sold overseas or in another country that it should be sold for more, not less. The same way and fashion that the American people is being done at the gas pumps. It also might help with the nuclear problems. Our government should see that coal miners and their families are

compensated for their sacrifices of their health, safety and lives, or any other resource that is needed for the safety and independence for the United States of America.

Our government should have companies that produce a needed resource for the safety and independence of our nation, and pay this added cost as they sell this resource and then it really wouldn't matter if they filed bankruptcy or not. Then the children and the families of the men and women that give their lives to these occupations could still look forward to the American dream. These people deserve better than an unsecured 401K retirement.

In war time our government would not allow coal miners to strike and they first formed a health and retirement for coal miners called Cradle to the Grave Insurance with our retirement. Then inspired by coal owners and coal companies when the war was over, for no other reason but greed got our government to turn our health and retirement back over to them, the coal companies and the UMWA to negotiate.

I grew up and went to work in the coal mines in the late 70s with our fathers and they gave me the same deal that they had, seeing that my sacrifices was the same as theirs. I would hear all the time that a coal company cannot make it because of union coal miners making complaints to mine inspectors, and anytime a boss did not run as much coal as the next boss they would always use the scape goat and blame it on the union coal miners. This was something that the coal company liked, beating up on the UMWA. Well, time has proved that coal companies greed has blown up and killed a lot of miners. I guess this is one of the reasons God said, woo be on merchants on judgment day.

The bottom line is greed! Greed and jealousy is some of the tools of the devil. Wake up America and bless God for a change. I've praised God on several different occasions for the protection of the UMWA for standing up for my rights that probably kept me alive.

I worked on Peabody and Eastern Associated Coal's property for one of their contract companies called Long Branch. My son works for another one of their contract companies called Patriot. All of the above companies have signed into the agreement to abide by the UMWA contract.

It's simply not good for the integrity of the United States of America, law makers and the UMWA to allow wealthy educated outlaw companies to put themselves into bankruptcy for no other reason but to beat the poor and the working class people out of the main thing that they have devoted their lives to - receiving their health card and retirement, and allowing the same parties above to start up a new contract company and call it Gateway with no UMWA retirement and health card. It surely is a falsehood and it is surely not bargaining in good faith.

Also, to confuse the courts and our government even more by having Long Branch's bankruptcy in Charleston, WV and moving Peabody and Eastern's to another state. Rumor has it that they have started up dummy companies in other states for nothing more than to confuse the courts even more. Rumor has also had it that the company people that worked for Long Branch was informed that they needed to box their 401K retirements up so they wouldn't lose them in the bankruptcy like the Enron employees did.

A coal miner deserves his health and retirement for his sacrifices for his nation

and family, of his health and his safety each day he goes to work, it's a good possibility that will be the last day his family and loved ones will see him. His sacrifices are many. A coalminer is needed as much as a soldier is needed on the battlefield at war time. After he has made this sacrifice at the beginning of his youth, 5 years in this, odds are against him to pull his roots up and go somewhere else to start over. It would take wealthy people to do this just look back at my ancestors.

The office holders in our state, in our union and my union brothers have asked for prayer for our health and retirement. They asked my pastor and the elders of my church to pray for our leaders involved in this falsehood. They have willingly invited God into this. So, I will do this with no apologies to no one because my God is still on the throne. For those who don't believe in the Holy Bible it was written over 2,000 years ago about things that we are seeing happen today. One of the great and famous presidents of our great nation said these words, Ask not what my nation can do for me, but ask what can I do for my nation"? So we as a nation should be the same way toward god, Ask not what my God can do for me but ask what can I do for my God? The Holy word of God and his laws in the King James Bible teaches the same thing. It says love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, soul and doings, It says love thy neighbors the same way. It teaches if you do these things that God's blessings will be more than you can imagine or number. I didn't put the chapters and verses of the scriptures for the reason that I am challenging anyone that reads this especially the ones that God has blessed with authority to pick up the Holy Bible and go to the index and search this out and it might inspire you to read the book. The Book will help you in tough decisions, because the people and the children of our nation is our nation. So now lets bow our heads and pray.

Dear God,

All praise be yours for the fight that our fathers have fought and the gift that you have given us, the UMWA. God, I would ask you to put a hedge up around the United Mine Workers of America and keep it safe to the end of time as we know it. Dear God, I would pray that we could leave our children as well as you allowed our fathers to leave us. God, bless our children going in and coming out. God, bless the United States of America and its leaders. Going and coming, God, bless the courts and all parties involved in this. God, I ask these things in the holy name of your Son, our holy Lord and Savior, in the name that is above every name. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

Respectfully submitted,

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President, Harry Truman, Interior Secretary, Julius Krug and UMWA President, John L. Lewis Signed in healthcare cradle-to-grave insurance for miners and their dependents. It's written in the Bible that a house divided against itself won't stand. John L. Lewis was famous for saying in the coalfields, "United we stand, divided we fall." This saying is proving itself to be true.

The federal government needs to come together with state government and sign a bill to see that the workers that work for companies that produce a needed product for our nation to be strong and independent that's harmful to their health isn't left holding the bag in bankruptcy, if it would mean seizing mineral rights, properties and businesses and have companies and mineral holders to pay equal shares along so when disaster strikes the blow won't be so bad, put it with homeland security or where ever it needs to be fitted in at or give it, it's own name so the workers that are suffering can get the doctors care that they deserve without it breaking them.

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