

March 8, 2013

Dear Honorable Judge,

I am the great granddaughter, granddaughter, daughter, and wife of a coal miner. These men have worked many years to accomplish their goal that at retirement they would have insurance and a pension promised by the companies they worked for all those years. The blood, sweat, and long hours as well as dangerous conditions they worked in are the reasons they so deserve to keep all the promised. I can still remember when I was younger the night my Dad was in a fire At Orient 5 in which his buddy died. It was devastating and life changing for so many, but they continued working in other mines to achieve their retirement. So many now are sick and elderly and deserve to keep their hard earned pensions and insurance because of their limited incomes. The cost would be astronomical for them if they lost their insurance. There are so many non union mines now that there are not any young retirees coming up. Most retirees are over 50 so the companies won't have to pay pensions or insurance for the young miners because they are not promised anything because they get bribed with large bonuses at each years end for now and that we did not get. So I beg you to use your heart and conscious to make your decision because if you say NO the repercussions will be disastrous for all the other coal companies miners. It would be horrific. So please say YES! YES! YES! for the miners and NO to Patriot Coal. WE NEED YOUR HELP! They deceived us many years ago by closing union mines to start up non union so they could try this ploy that they are trying to accomplish now and all of them still get their huge pensions. PLEASE, PLEASE help us!!!!

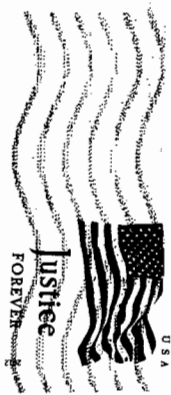
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