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To Whom it may Concern,

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I am writing you in reference to the UMWA lawsuit with Patriot Coal Company.

I worked for Peabody Coal Company for 27 years. I went into this profession of Coal mining, that when I reached retirement age I would have my pension and my healthcare. Now, they want to take these two things we worked so hard for away from us.

If Patriot Coal wins this lawsuit and files bankruptcy and we lose our benefits. I do not know what I will do. My wife of 45 years is totally disabled.

She has heart problems, kidney problems, major back problems, fibromyalgia, colon problems. As you can tell she has several health problems. She sees her doctors anywhere from 25-30 times a year, sometimes more.

She is hospitalized many times a year. She takes many medications which cost a great amount. Which I won't be able to afford if I lose my benefits.

I feel like you need to consider that we worked hard and long hours for this Coal Company, we paid for our

benefits and pension and now they are wanting to take this away from us. Please consider all of these families like mine that will be greatly impacted by this lawsuit.

I do not know what will happen to my wife & me if I lose my benefits. I never thought I would be in danger of losing something I worked so hard for and that I endangered my life daily working underground. Thinking later in life I will have my pension & healthcare.

Please help the UMWA members.  
Don't let Patriot Coal do this.  
Thank you for your time & considering everything I have told you.

Thank you,  
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