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The Honorable Shelley C. Chapman

One Bowling Green

Courtroom 621

New York, New York 10004-1408

RE: Patriot Bankruptcy

To the Honorable Shelley C. Chapman:

I realize that you are an extremely busy person, but if I may I would like to take a moment of your time to express my concern about the upcoming Patriot Bankruptcy hearing .

I am a retired coal miner and receive a miner's pension and healthcare benefits. I have a number of health issues, as does my wife, and won't burden you with the details. But what I would like to impress upon you is that we rely upon my pension and healthcare benefits to sustain us in the present day economy. If we were to lose these benefits, it would put a great hardship upon us. Choices concerning medications and medical treatments would have to be made. Choices which could be even as grave as life or death.

Please bear these issues in mind as you proceed with the Patriot Bankruptcy hearing. I am only one, but I am one of many who will be affected by the decisions being made at this hearing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Orville D Francis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Orville Darrell Francis