

Dear Judge Kathy A. Surratt Stokes,

My husband was a devoted Peobody employee for 22 years. He was proud of his job & work. Now, however, he may lose what he spent all the years trying to achieve. Patriot Coal bought out or took over Peobody Coal, Hawthorne mine, for the purpose of reopening it later as a non-union mine. On the scheme of things there is only about 2000 union mine workers left in America today and several thousand (less than 10,000) benefit holders. The benefit holders as a majority are older and not left alot of years in our beautiful America. Benefit holders who were promised & built their lives working at mines to be taken care of in those golden years. It is unfair to let Patriot Coal try to side step out of an commitment that they are obligated to keep. Those miners were promised to be cared for until they died at this juncture in their lives with the economy as it is please don't choose to let Patriot Coal off the hook & not keep their obligation to the dwindling benefit holders left in America

Sincerely,

Dunsi Burk

wife of David L. Burk UMW

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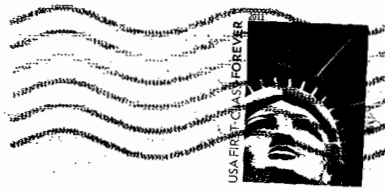
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