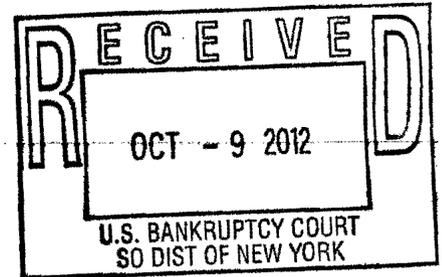


- We are preparing a video regarding our struggle that will be distributed to all Local Unions. The video can be shown at Local Halls, town hall meetings, churches and elsewhere.

As I previously stated, I am going to need your assistance if we are going to prevail against Peabody, Arch and Patriot. I have always been able to count on your support in the past, and I know I can count on you now. This is our fight and together we will win. May God Bless You and the United Mine Workers of America.

Enclosures

cc: Daniel J. Kane, International Secretary-Treasurer
 Don Barnett, At-Large International Vice President
 Donnie Samms, At-Large International Vice President
 Steve Earle, International District 12 Vice President
 Joe Carter, International District 17 Vice President
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 Bob Scaramozzino, Executive Assistant to the President
 Ron Airhart, Executive Assistant to the Secretary-Treasurer
 Gary Trout, Region II Director



Regarding the UMW Benefits
 #0 The Honorable Shelby C. Chapman,
 my husband retired under the 1974 contract.
 Up to now or a few years ago ~~my~~ ~~our~~ health
 was pretty good but it's really gone down the
 past few years. It would really be hard to
 meet our medical bills now without our UMW
 benefits. My husband has had a light heart attack
 and a light stroke - he has stents, I have had
 open heart surgery and blood clots on my lungs &
 leg. I have to sleep with oxygen, Omeprazole always
 to the RA. I have lupus also. We are 87 and 85 yrs
 old, don't have much longer. Please don't make
 us do without our medical benefits now -
 Charles R. Gish & Eugene Gish
 Charles worked in District 23 Union 1178

The Honorable Shelley C. Chapman
One Bowling Green
Courtroom 621
New York, New York 10004-1408

- The International Union is working to launch a "Corpora against Peabody, Arch and Patriot. Details will be provided as campaign progresses.

1-12, 2012, the Bankruptcy Judge in New York held a change of Venue motion filed by the UMWA and others. At the hearing, the Judge asked that all interested parties appear by October 5, 2012. We expect the Judge to issue her ruling by October. As soon as she makes her ruling, I will inform you

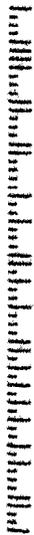
any rules against moving the case to Charleston, West Virginia. If the case rightfully belongs, the UMWA will participate in the proceedings whether it is in New York City or St. Louis.

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