

The Honorable Shelley C. Chapman
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Courtroom 621
New York, N.Y. 10004-1408

Dear Judge Chapman,

I would like to let you know about the U.M.W.A. health care policy, and what it means to me.

My husband went to work with the DeBardeleben Coal Company at the Sepoy mines.

DeBardeleben sold the company to Peabody Coal Company, and my husband was an eiler on the shovel until he got disabled. He worked for over thirty one years in the coal business. He was told he had Black Lung disability, but he was never able to draw his Black Lung disability. He died a horrible death.

Now after all these years, I have been diagnosed with heart failure, and am real short of breath and when I try to talk my speech cuts off. I have always been real active, but now its hard to breathe. We have been using Patriot Coal insurance for medical and hospital bills. We do not have any other medical insurance. I dont know what I will do if Patriot stops our insurance. I hope you can stop them from canceling our insurance. Thank you for trying to help us old people that thought we were covered for life. I am eighty eight years old.

Sincerely
Virginia Clark