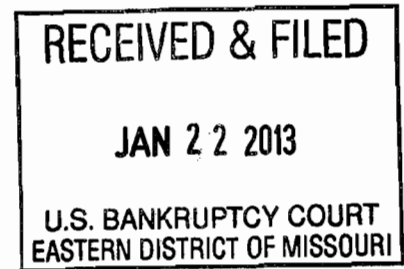


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The Honorable Kathy Q. Surratt-States
Re: Case No. 12-51502
Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street, 4th Floor
St Louis, MO 63102



To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in regards to the Patriot Bankruptcy Case. I would like to tell you about my husband and I. I am the granddaughter, daughter, and wife of a coal miner. My husband received a 10 year plaque for no time lost due to injury. He invested 25 years into the workforce before his injury that has now left him a disabled coal miner. For months now I have noticed that his memory was slowly degrading. He was having a difficult time with everyday task that involved his memory and hearing. He also began having a difficult time seeing even with his glasses on. On November 23rd, 2012, was when we really seen how bad the situation had become. He was making his way to the kitchen when he lost his balance and fell into the chair behind him. His vision, hearing and balance had become impaired to the point that left him confused and unable to respond to my voice. It took several minutes to get him out of the semi coma that he seemed to be in. This wasn't the last of the episodes. He has had several more since that day. Upon going in for a routine visit with his healthcare provider, he discussed these episodes he had been having. His physician ordered an MRI almost immediately. The results of the MRI were devastating. It showed multiple mini strokes on both sides of the brain which does affect the memory, hearing, and vision and a stroke can come at any moment if he doesn't have the right healthcare to help prevent a full blown stroke that could possibly end his life.

My husband was always a very hard working man who supported his family by coal mining. We raised the children in our 37 years of marriage together. We were the simple kind of family who lived from paycheck to paycheck and never once abused our insurance. With our average income and 3 children, we could not afford to take care of our health. We treated ourselves with over the counter medications. Our insurance while our kids were growing up was used mainly for their vaccinations and an occasional snuffle every now and then. My husband and I are now at the age that we need our healthcare and our INSURANCE! We are not

getting any younger and just as an old car, our parts are wearing out as well and we need our promised health care now more than ever. I myself work at a small business in town but with my health gradually declining, I fear that I am not going to be working much longer. I have also been diagnosed with disc degenerative disorder in my back and currently in need of a knee replacement which I don't think can be withheld much longer. I also have inflammation in both Achilles heels.

Once again, my husband worked 25 years before becoming disabled from a work related injury. We would not be able to survive if our insurance is ripped from us! Patriot should not be permitted to take away the healthcare that us as coal miners worked hard for. We broke our backs daily for these selfish individuals and this is what they want to give us in return? Please see where we stand in all of this. I have broken down some of what would happen to us without our healthcare. As of right now we would have to pay out of pocket \$932.14 a month for our medication. Our utilities are around \$450.00 a month. Life insurance to bury us is \$43.53 a month. Car and house insurance around \$170.00 a month totaling \$1,595.67. Remember, my husband receives social security and his miners pension. When you live on a fixed income these are very scary totals to look at. Remember this doesn't include Physician visits nor does it include food, cleaning supplies and anything else that might need to be done around the home.

Please think about all of this in your decision. Thank you for taking your time to read this and taking time to learn about my family.

Sincerely,

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