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U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

Dear Honorable Judge, Kathy A. Surratt-States,

Where do I begin? When I was 9-years old, my Dad lost his eyesight sinking a slope to a coal mine. In 1968 he was 35 years old. He is totally blind and now 80-years old. I guess some might say that I Followed in my Dad's footsteps. AT 18 I graduated high school in May 1977. I went into the coal mines that same year, October 25, 1977. I have given 35-years to Peabody Coal Company. My knees ache and my back hurts, but coal mining is all I have ever known. I'm hoping if the mine lasts and my body holds up, maybe I can get 5-more years.

Future promises made by Peabody (retirement and medical card) allowed me to make promises to both of my children. My gift to my children was that if they would go to college, I would pay for it. I told my children not to worry about their mother and I, because my retirement and medical card would take care of us. My son attended Boyce College, the undergraduate for Southern Seminary, in Louisville, Kentucky. He is now a pastor. My daughter attended Madisonville Community College in Madisonville, Kentucky. She is a physical therapist assistant.

Coal mining is a dangerous occupation! Five have been killed already this year. I have served Peabody 35- years believing that I would have a retirement and a medical card to take care of my wife and I. Please do not allow Peabody to take my hopes and dreams away from me. I do not want to become another statistic . . . someone For the government to take care of needs that should have otherwise been taken care of by promises kept.

Sincerely,

MARK ALLEN Holloman

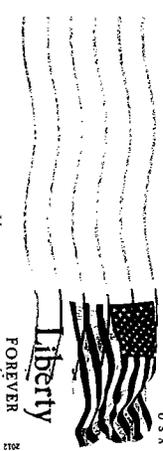
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