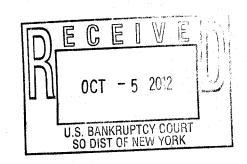
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Honorable Shelley C. Chapman One Bowling Green Courtroom 621 New York, New York 10004-1408



Dear Judge Chapman,

I am writing to you today concerning the potential loss of my health care. I have depended upon my health care insurance for many years. Were it not for my current health care coverage, me and my family would have recently experienced financial ruin.

A few years ago I was diagnosed with potential kidney failure. My situation grew worse over time reaching a critical point in 2010. At that time I was told my situation had gotten bad enough that I would soon be faced with kidney dialysis.

Last year my kidneys were deemed to be failing and I had to begin dialysis. I now attend those treatments 3 days a week and must attend those every week for the rest of my life. While I am on Medicare, Medicare does not cover all of the treatment cost and they cover none of our prescription costs. These treatments and medicine expense is very expensive. Our health care coverage has paid these costs.

Were it not for my health care coverage, I would be responsible for all these costs. This would be absolutely devastating for me and my wife financially. There is no way we would be able to cover these costs. If I lost my health care, I would likely lose my home and what little savings I have for retirement. We have no other assets or resources to cover these costs. I was told when I retired that I would not lose my health care coverage.

Please help us. Please make sure we are able to keep our health care. My current health condition and medicine costs will ruin me financially if this is lost. Thank you for your serious consideration.

Respectfully yours,

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