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RE: Marshall County Coal Co., et al. v. John Oliver, et al. Marshall County Case No. 17-C-124

Counsel:

This date the Court received the attached unsolicited missive from the Plaintiff, Robert E. Murray. As it does not appear Mr. Murray forwarded copies of the same to Defense Counsel, pursuant to Rule 2.9(B) of the West

Virginia Rules of Judicial Conduct, the Court has copied and enclosed the correspondence herein and filed the original in the Court's file.

Mr. Murray's letter is an improper *ex parte* communication with the Court, therefore the request therein to reconsider the Court's decision cannot and will not be entertained.

The Court respectfully requests Plaintiffs' Counsel to advise Mr. Murray against future *ex parte* correspondence which could result in sanctions against the Plaintiffs in this matter.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely amer, Chief Judge udicial Circuit, State of West Virginia

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February 26, 2018

VIA OVERNIGHT FEDEX

The Honorable Jeffrey Cramer Judge for the Second Judicial Circuit Marshall County Courthouse 600 Seventh Street Moundsville, West Virginia 26041

RE: Continued Harassment and Defamation by HBO and Other Defendants

Dear Judge Cramer:

We are deeply disappointed to learn that you intend to dismiss our lawsuit against Home Box Office, Inc., Time Warner, Inc., Mr. John Oliver, and others (collectively "Defendants"). We will appeal that decision in due course.

The jobs of our 6,000 coal miners depend on me and my reputation. My name is on the Company, and I am the one who our 140 lenders, our utility customers, the regulators, and the public look to in order to keep these jobs. You have enabled the Defendants to further destroy our miners' families. We write to you today to inform you of the continued personal attacks and harassment by the Defendants in this case.

Indeed, just yesterday, the Defendants aired worldwide the enclosed attack on the undersigned and our Company, whereby John Oliver taunted us, once again, stating "Eat Sh-t Bob" and announcing that, once your order is issued, he will "gloat" and he will be "rubbing it in the face of the person that lost over and over again." This clearly demonstrates the vindictiveness and intentional destruction that the Defendants have caused. It also shows that these attacks will continue in perpetuity, as a result of your order. I am a dying old man, but our employees will pay for your decision.

Further, since your ruling, we have been subjected to multiple insulting and threatening email and telephone messages, including these: "BOB, KISS MY A--"; "Hey Bob, I guess John Oliver f---ed you in your a--. You are a real evil piece of s--

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t."; "Consume defecation, Bob."; "What an old and selfish c--t of a human being. You and your industry are no longer relevant and the entire world knows it."; "Congratulations on having HBO make you look like a big fat lardass loser in court. Idiot."; and "Ha ha you fat pig, you lost your lawsuit..burn in hell dr. evil." This is a very small sampling of the flagrant and extremely damaging personal attacks that we continue to receive on a daily basis.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that you reconsider your decision to dismiss this lawsuit and allow this case to proceed on the merits. Indeed, this lawsuit is extremely important to our employees, who rely on Murray Energy and me for their continued livelihoods, and to our lenders, customers, and suppliers who depend on our integrity and performance. We cannot sit idly and allow our jobs and livelihoods to be destroyed by the cruel and baseless attacks of these Defendants.

Sincerely,

MURRAY ENERGY CORPORATION

Robert E. Murray **N** Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

REM Enclosure

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Transcript of HBO's Last Week Tonight Segment Regarding Mr. Murray

February 25, 2018

John Oliver's Remarks Opening His Program:

Welcome, welcome, welcome.

Thank you so much for joining us and look before we start this evening, a quick update regarding this show because you may remember last year we did an episode on coal in which we talked about this man, Bob Murray.

Now, we said a lot of things about him culminating in a 7 foot squirrel telling him to 'Eat shit' and he sued us for defamation.

It's true, that case has actually been going on ever since but just this week we learned that the Judge has said he is going to dismiss it.

Now, it's not final yet, it's not final yet and I've been advised not to say much more for now so I won't because as the people know, now is not the time for victory laps, it's not a time for gloating, it's not a time for saying "hey, we won" and just rubbing it in the face of the person that lost over and over again.

That time will come, oh, it will come and I promise that we will discuss this whole case as soon as we are able to.

Until then, my furry friend, away, away.

He'll be back.

I promise he will be back.