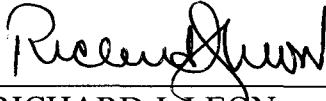


opposition to the petition and that if they failed to do so, the Court may treat the motion as conceded. LCvR. 7(b). This rule is a “docket-management tool that facilitates efficient and effective resolution of motions.” *Fox v. American Airlines, Inc.*, 389 F.3d 1291, 1294 (D.C. Cir. 2004). In *Fox*, the D.C. Circuit affirmed the District Court’s holding that “because the plaintiffs failed to respond to the defendant’s . . . motion, the court treats the motion as conceded and grants the motion.” *Id.* (citations omitted).

The plaintiffs had not filed a response to the Petition to Confirm Arbitration Award, and on December 4, 2008, the Court ordered the plaintiffs to file a response within fifteen days. The Order and also stated that if the plaintiffs failed to respond, the Court could treat the motion as conceded pursuant to Local Rule 7(b). (*See* Civil Action No. 07-01474 Dkt. 10). The plaintiffs have still failed to respond to the defendant’s Petition to Confirm Arbitration Award.

Therefore, the Court finds in favor of the defendant and GRANTS the defendant’s Petition to Confirm Arbitration Award [#9]. An appropriate Order will issue with this Memorandum Opinion.



RICHARD J. LEON
United States District Judge