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VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL szymanskip@msn.com

Patrick J. Szymanski PATRICK J. SZYMANSKI, PLLC 1900 L Street, NW, Ste. 900 Washington, DC 20036

Re: USAPA v. Leonidas, LLC

Dear Pat:

No one involved with Leonidas, LLC, or the West Pilot class has any interest in enjoining the actual merger with American Airlines. None of them have filed such an action or intend to file or authorize any such action. In fact, the West Pilots want the actual merger to proceed as quickly as possible, but insist that the pilot integration process proceed in a legitimate and lawful manner. They believe that USAPA's DFR and the Ninth Circuit opinion and the opinion of Judge Silver require utilizing the Nicolau Award at the beginning of that process. USAPA disagrees. One way or another, this DFR dispute must and will be resolved before there can be seniority integration between US Airways and American pilots.

Rather than cooperate with obtaining a final resolution of the DFR dispute, USAPA filed a groundless action in the Southern District of New York. The Bankruptcy Court has no jurisdiction to decide a claim like this that does not involve the debtor, AMR and does not threaten AMR's reorganization. Moreover, no matter how you strain to draw a threat to enjoin the actual American Airlines merger from my prior correspondence, USAPA has no standing to assert that the West Pilots are attempting to interfere with AMR's emergence from bankruptcy. That can only be asserted by the Debtor AMR, who has shown no interest in doing so or in otherwise delaying resolution of the DFR dispute.

The flaws in USAPA's adversary claim cannot be repaired by amending the complaint to name as defendants the plaintiffs who filed a third round of litigation in the District of Arizona on March 6, 2013 (the "Arizona Plaintiffs") because the SDNY does not have jurisdiction over the DFR issue. The Bankruptcy Court is not going to interfere in the Arizona action. The Arizona District Court will be rightly offended if you name the Arizona Plaintiffs as defendants

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in the New York action. Unions should not be suing its members in an effort to silence their voices.

A series of federal courts have held that USAPA must have a legitimate union purpose to repudiate the Nicolau Award. At some point a federal court will determine whether USAPA has such a purpose in the context of the American Airlines merger. If USAPA wants to avoid delaying the pilot integration process, it should work with us to get the DFR dispute resolved in Arizona Federal Court before the POR date. As a first step, I invite you to dismiss the New York action.

Very truly yours,

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