

**COURT NO. I
ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI**

209.

OA 1117/2018

Lt Col Rajesh Khokhar

..... Applicant

Versus

Union of India and others

..... Respondents

For Applicant

: Mr. Rajiv Manglik, Advocate

For Respondents

: Dr. Vijendra Singh Mahndiyan, Advocate
Maj. Gaurav Verma, Legal Officer

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIRENDER SINGH, CHAIRPERSON

HON'BLE LT. GEN. SANJIV CHACHRA, MEMBER (A)

ORDER

23.10.2018

When counter affidavit was not filed, as indicated in our first order dated 06.07.2018 vide which notice was issued to the respondents and accepted by learned counsel also, we, on asking, granted another two weeks' time for filing counter affidavit giving just one weeks' to file rejoinder and when the counter affidavit was again not filed, we, vide our order dated 17.09.2018, granted another two weeks' time to file counter affidavit, but reluctantly. This was all in an attempt to complete the pleadings of the case so that the main matter can be adjudicated upon without any waste of time. The delay is at the end of respondents who are not keen to file counter affidavit. Today also Major Gaurav Verma who is appearing for the respondents, seeks another two weeks' time for filing counter affidavit. We grant that time to the respondents subject to payment of costs of Rs. 5,000/- on the next date of hearing and to be deposited in the Advocates' Welfare Fund account of AFT (PB) Bar Association.

2. Rejoinder, if any, be filed within one week thereafter.
3. List the instant matter on **04.12.2018** for further consideration. To be indicated in the "**Orders Column**".

(VIRENDER SINGH)
CHAIRPERSON

(SANJIV CHACHRA)
MEMBER (A)

23.10.18 nsv