



**RULES OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, SECOND CIRCUIT
SUPPLEMENTING UNIFORM RULES OF LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL**

Rule 9. MOTION TO WAIVE ORAL ARGUMENT; SANCTIONS

Counsel's failure to appear for oral argument once a timely request for argument has been filed and the case docketed for oral argument causes detriment to the Court and to opposing counsel. Accordingly, it will be the policy of the Court to require counsel to file a written motion requesting leave of Court to waive oral argument. An original and one copy of the motion are to be filed with the Clerk of Court not later than ten days prior to the date of the scheduled argument. The motion shall assert whether the request to waive argument is limited to the moving party or if the motion is made on behalf of any other party. In the event the motion includes other parties' waiver to oral argument, it shall also be signed by counsel for that party. In addition, the motion shall include certification of service listing all parties and all counsel as required by URCA Rule 2-14.2. Without the required assertions and certification, the motion to waive oral argument shall be denied. The Court will act promptly on the motion, and the Clerk of Court will give expeditious notice of the Court's decision to all parties. Finally, the order submitted by the moving party requesting a waiver of oral argument will contain reference to all statements required by this rule.

If counsel fails to timely file such motion with the Clerk of Court and fails to appear for the scheduled argument, a fine of up to \$200 may be imposed and, if imposed, shall be paid by counsel within thirty days of the date of assessment.

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