

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

JACQUELINE GALLOWAY

v.

SANTANDER CONSUMER USA, INC.

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CIVIL NO. CCB-13-3240

ORDER

Now pending is the motion by plaintiff Jacqueline Galloway for reconsideration of the court's ruling requiring arbitration in this case. Because Galloway has failed to satisfy the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(b), and the court remains of the opinion that arbitration is required, that ruling will not be changed.

In the alternative, Galloway requests that the case be dismissed rather than stayed. While there is some degree of "tension" in Fourth Circuit precedent,¹ it appears that the opinion in *Choice Hotels Intern. v. BSR Tropicana Resort*, 252 F.3d 707, 709-10 (4th Cir. 2001) recognizes the authority of the district court to dismiss "when all of the issues presented in a lawsuit are arbitrable" as they are here. Galloway prefers the option of dismissal, which provides her a final rather than interlocutory order, and I see no reason to retain jurisdiction.

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. the motion for reconsideration (ECF No. 24) is **Denied in part** and **Granted in part** as set forth above; and
2. this case is **Dismissed**.

March 17, 2015
Date

/s/
Catherine C. Blake
United States District Judge

¹ See *Aggarao v. MOL Management Co., Ltd.*, 675 F.3d 355, 376 n.18 (4th Cir. 2012).