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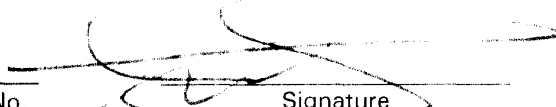
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(Pending Application;
Serial No. Unknown)

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we **ROBERT TRIGG JESSEE and DONALD RITTLER STRACHAN**, hereinafter referred to as the assignors, residing respectively at **131 Country Place Road, Axton, Virginia 24054 and 872 Green Hill Drive, Martinsville, Virginia 24112**, are the joint inventors of certain inventions or improvements for which we have made application for Letters Patent to the United States, identified as Case No. **OPTI-0006**, entitled **NOVEL SELF-CRIMPING FIBERS AND METHODS FOR THEIR PREPARATION**; and

Whereas, **Optimer, Inc.**, a corporation of **Delaware**, having a principal place of business of **422 B&O Lane, Wilmington, Delaware 19804**, hereinafter referred to as the assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said inventions or improvements and in and to the said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent which may be granted on or as a result thereof in any and all countries:

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to each of us in hand paid by said assignee, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said assignors, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to said assignee, the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions or improvements and said application and any and all continuations, divisions and renewals of and substitutes for said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent which may be granted on or as a result thereof in the United States and any and all other countries, and any reissue or reissues or extension or extensions of said Letters Patent, and assign to and authorize said assignee, to file in our names applications for Letters Patent in all countries, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors, assigns, nominees or legal representatives, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent respectively may be granted, reissued or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this assignment, sale and transfer not been made.

AND we hereby covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith, and we further covenant and agree that we will each time request is made and without undue delay, execute and deliver all such papers as may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said inventions or improvements, said application and said Letters Patent to said assignee, its successors, assigns, nominees, or legal representatives, and each of us agrees to communicate to said assignee or to its nominee all known facts respecting said inventions or improvements, said application and said Letters Patent, to testify in any legal proceedings, to sign all lawful papers, to execute all disclaimers and divisional, continuing, reissue and foreign applications, to make all rightful oaths, and generally to do everything possible to aid said assignee, its successors, assigns,

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nominees and legal representatives to obtain and enforce for its or their own benefit proper patent protection for said inventions or improvements in any and all countries.

AND we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue to said assignee, as assignee of the entire right, title and interest, any and all Letters Patent for said inventions or improvements, including any and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued and granted on or as a result of the application aforesaid, in accordance with the terms of this assignment.

We further authorize and direct our attorneys to insert below* the serial number and filing date of said application now identified as Case No. **OPTI-0006** as soon as the same shall have been made known to them by the United States Patent Office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals.

 (L.S.)
ROBERT TRIGG JESSEE

 (L.S.)
DONALD RITTLER STRACHAN

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On this 2nd day of MARCH, 1998, before me personally came the above-named ROBERT TRIGG JESSEE and DONALD RITTLER STRACHAN, to me personally known and known to me to be the same individuals who executed the foregoing Assignment, and who acknowledged to me that they executed the same of their own free will for the use and purposes therein set forth.

Allen M. Jorgensen
Notary Public

My Notary Expires 10-31-2000

*The above assignment covers application Serial No. 09/034,685,
filed on March 4, 1998, 1998.

The above insertion made by me this 19th day of March,
1998.

WOODCOCK WASHBURN KURTZ
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