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Assignor is the sole inventor (if only one inventor is listed above) or a joint inventor (if more than one inventor is listed above) of the above invention (the "Invention") described in a United States patent application (the "Application") bearing the above attorney docket number and having as a title the above name for the Invention. The Application has a Patent and Trademark Office filing date and serial number as indicated above, or if no filing date and serial number are shown, has a Declaration executed by Assignor contemporaneously with this Assignment,

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