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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Lawrence M. Boyd and Eddie Ray III, whose post office addresses are 5105 Lynbar Avenue, Memphis, TN 38117, and 8691 Cedar Farms Drive, Cordova, TN 38018, hereinafter referred to as Assignors, have made a new and useful invention in a TEMPLATE FOR POSITIONING INTERBODY FUSION DEVICES, which is a continuation-in-part of pending application Serial No. 08/889,473 filed July 8, 1997, which is a divisional application of Serial No. 08/427,432 filed April 24, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,645,549, and for which Assignors have made or will make application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, SDGI Holdings, Inc., hereinafter referred to as Assignee, a corporation of the State of Delaware having a principal place of business at 1800 Pyramid Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38132, desires to acquire all of the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under said invention disclosed, described and claimed or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, which may be obtained therefor and thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for an in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good, valuable and sufficient considerations to Assignors in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, all of the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under said

invention disclosed, described and claimed or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application for United States Letters Patent executed by Assignors this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1998, and any and all other applications thereon and arising therefrom, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all patents to be issued and obtained therefor and thereon, United States and foreign, including all reissues and extensions thereof.

Assignors hereby authorize and request the firm of Woodard, Emhardt, Naughton, Moriarty & McNett of Bank One Center Tower, 111 Monument Circle, Suite 3700, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5137 to insert here in parentheses (Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, Filed \_\_\_\_\_) the date and serial number of said application when officially known, and Assignors hereby authorize and request the Honorable Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to Assignee, its assigns and legal representatives.

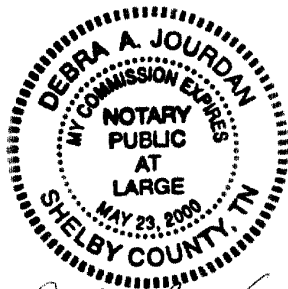
Assignors agree to assign and execute any and all other papers necessary or desirable for the procurement of Letters Patent on said invention in this and all foreign countries for the use of Assignee

WITNESS Assignors' hands this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1998.

By: Lawrence M. Boyd  
Lawrence M. Boyd

By: Eddie F. Ray III  
Eddie Ray III

By: Thomas M. McGahan  
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