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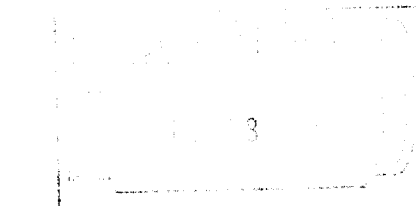
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Mark A. Catan, Reg. No. 38,720
Name of Person Signing

Signature

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Date

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, EDWARD ALAN PHILLIPS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 990 Leigh Mill Road, Great Falls, Virginia 22066; and NEWELL CONVERS WYETH, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 3234 History Drive, Oakton, Virginia 22124, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE FOCUS OF A READ/WRITE HEAD FOR AN OPTICAL SCANNER, for which an application for U.S. Letters Patent was executed on June 2, 1998 as Serial No. 09/088,781;

WHEREAS, SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, a corporation of the State of California, having a place of business at 10260 Campus Point Drive, San Diego, California 92121, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention and to any Letters Patent of the United States or any foreign country which may be granted therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, We, the aforesaid EDWARD ALAN PHILLIPS and NEWELL CONVERS WYETH by these presents do jointly sell, assign and transfer:

Unto SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the full and exclusive right in to and the said invention as described in the said application, and to any Letters Patent in the United States or any foreign country which may be granted therefor, and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof; and

AND WE HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks or any other proper officer or agency of any country to issue all said Letters Patent to said assignee;

AND WE HEREBY warrant and covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned and that we have not executed and will not execute any instrument or assignment in conflict herewith;

AND WE HEREBY agree to communicate to said assignee or its representative any facts known to us respecting said invention, to execute all divisional, continuation, reissue and foreign applications, sign all lawful documents and make all rightful oaths and declarations relating to said invention, and to testify in any judicial or administrative proceeding and generally do everything possible to aid the said assignee to

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th day of June 1998.

Newell Convers Wyeth
NEWELL CONVERS WYETH

County of Fairfax)

) ss:
State of Virginia)

On this 26th day of June 1998, before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Newell Convers Wyeth, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

ELLA L. CANDELARIA
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 31 January 2000

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
 Edward Alan PHILLIPS et al.)
 Serial No.: 09/088,781)
 Filed: June 2, 1998)
 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
 CONTROLLING THE FOCUS OF A)
 READ/WRITE HEAD FOR AN)
 OPTICAL SCANNER)



Group Art Unit: 2722
 Docket No.: 00479.02154

ASSIGNMENT RECORDATION LETTER

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

We, the designated domestic representative of the above-identified applicants, attach an Assignment of this application, executed on June 26, 1998, serial number and filing date noted above, from Edward Alan PHILLIPS and Newell Convers WYETH to SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION to be recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Our check in the amount of \$40.00 is enclosed to cover the recordation fee. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges, please charge or credit any difference to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 and forward the recorded document to the undersigned. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
 BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD.

By: Mark A. Catan
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