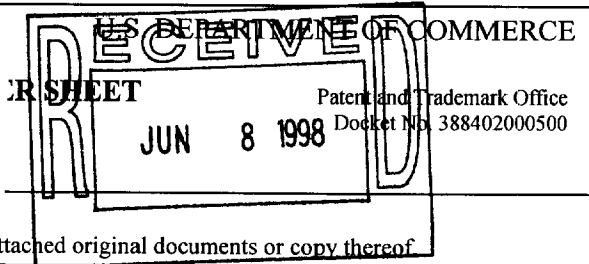


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THIS ASSIGNMENT, by Barry Gardiner, Isidro Matias Gardionco, Laurent Schaller, and John Nguyen (hereinafter referred to as the assignors), residing at Orinda, California 94563, Fremont, California 94536; Los Altos, California 94026; and San Jose, California 95132, respectively, witnesseth:

WHEREAS, said assignors have invented certain new and useful improvements in TISSUE CONNECTOR APPARATUS AND METHODS, set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, having an oath or declaration executed on even date herewith; bearing Serial No. Not yet assigned and filed on Not yet assigned; and

WHEREAS, Elective Vascular Interventions, a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of the state of Delaware and having its principal place of business at 2500 Faber Place, Palo Alto, California 94303 (hereinafter referred to as the assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

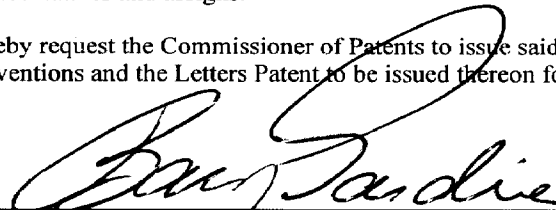
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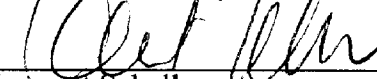
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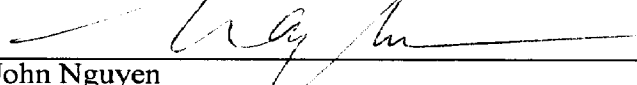
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