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W.D. RUMBAUGH, L.S. SCHMIDT, P.R. SCHRIER, B.J. SMITH, A.M.
SPRONK, A.K. STANTON, A. TAYL, J.A. VAUGHT, R.L. VICKSTROM,
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Internal Address: Patent and Trademark Department

D377, AP6D

Street Address: Abbott Laboratories

100 Abbott Park Road

City Abbott Park

State Illinois

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Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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US 5,575,978 issued November 19, 1996

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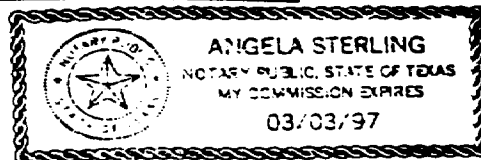
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We hereby authorize and request the attorneys appointed by us in said application to record on this assignment the Serial No. and filing date of said application when such are ascertained.

Signed by us on the dates hereinafter set forth.

Frederick L. Clark
Frederick L. Clark
STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.

Date: 1/25/94



On 1-25, 1994, before me personally appeared Frederick L. Clark to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Angela Sterling
Notary Public

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Kendall B. Hendrick
Kendall B. Hendrick

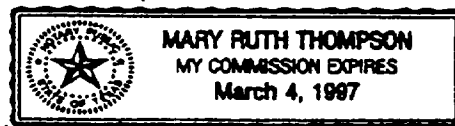
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STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF Dallas) ss.

On Feb. 22, 1994, before me personally appeared Kendall B. Hendrick to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Mary Ruth Thompson
Notary Public

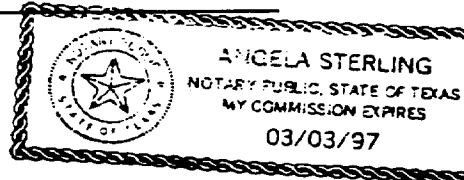
My Commission Expires: 3/4/97



Richard R. Martin
Richard R. Martin

Date: 1-25-94

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.



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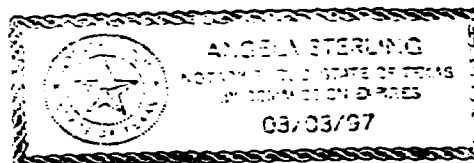
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Larry W. Moore
Larry W. Moore

Date: 1/25/94

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.



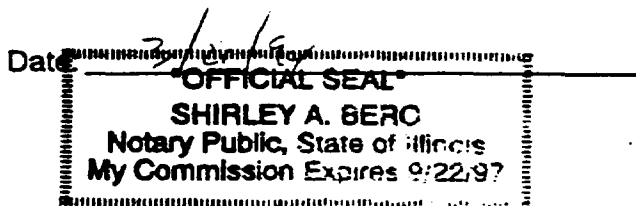
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Angela Sterling
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/3/97

William J. Raymoure
William J. Raymoure

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.



On MARCH 21, 1994, before me personally appeared William J. Raymoure to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Shirley A. Berc
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 9/22/97

Paul R. Schrier
Paul R. Schrier

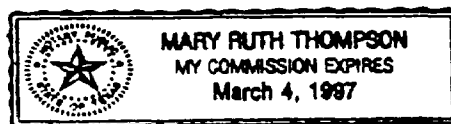
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STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF Dallas) ss.

On Feb. 22, 1994, before me personally appeared Paul R. Schrier to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Mary Ruth Thompson
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/4/97



Edna S. Walker
Edna S. Walker

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.

Date: 3-21-94
"OFFICIAL SEAL"
SHIRLEY A. BERO
Notary Public, State of Illinois
My Commission Expires 9/22/97

On MARCH 21, 1994, before me personally appeared Edna S. Walker to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

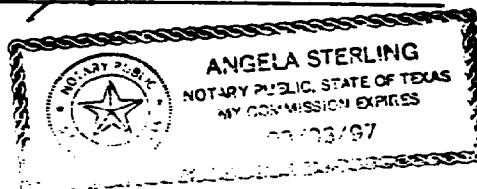
Shirley A. Bero
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 9/22/97

Donny Ray Walker
Donny Ray Walker

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.

Date: 1/25/94



On 1-25, 1994, before me personally appeared Donny Ray Walker to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Angela Sterling
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/3/97

Gary E. Winter
Gary E. Winter

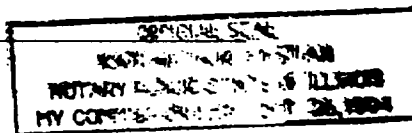
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.

Date: 3-14-94

On 3-14, 1994, before me personally appeared Gary E. Winter to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Lothar R. Parton
Notary Public

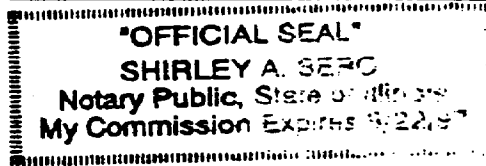
My Commission Expires:



Kevin M. Cloonan
Kevin M. Cloonan

Date: 3/21/94

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.



On MARCH 21, 1994, before me personally appeared Kevin M. Cloonan to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Shirley A. Bero
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 9/22/97

David A. Yost
David A. Yost

Date: _____

STATE OF MARYLAND)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared David A. Yost to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

John M. Clemens
John M. Clemens

Date: 3/21/94

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.



On MARCH 21, 1994, before me personally appeared John M. Clemens to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Shirley A. Bero
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 9/22/97

William J. Kanewske, III

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared William J. Kanewske, III to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

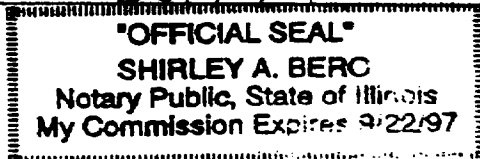
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Douglas D. McDowell
Douglas D. McDowell

Date: _____

3/21/94

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LAKE)



On MARCH 21, 1994, before me personally appeared Douglas D. McDowell to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

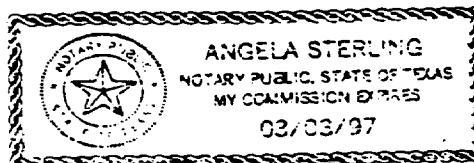
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Carl M. Oleksak
Carl M. Oleksak

Date: 1-25-94

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF DALLAS)



On 1-25, 1994, before me personally appeared Carl M. Oleksak to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

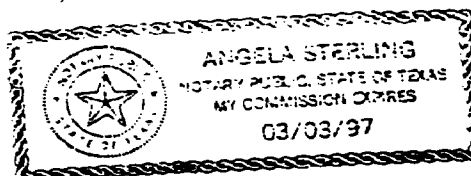
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My Commission Expires: 3/3/97

William D. Rumbaugh
William D. Rumbaugh

Date: 1/25/94

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.



On 1-25, 1994, before me personally appeared William D. Rumbaugh to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/3/97

B. Jane Smith
B. Jane Smith

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.

Date: 3/21/94



On MARCH 21, 1994, before me personally appeared B. Jane Smith to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 9/22/97

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James A. Vaught

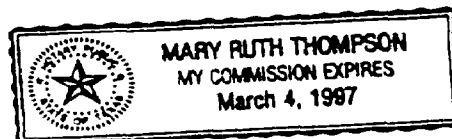
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COUNTY OF Dallas) ss.

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Mary Ruth Thompson
Notary Public

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A. R. Tayi

Apparao Tayi

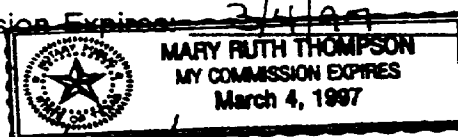
STATE OF ^{Texas} ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF Dallas) ss.

Date: 2/22/94

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Mary Ruth Thompson
Notary Public

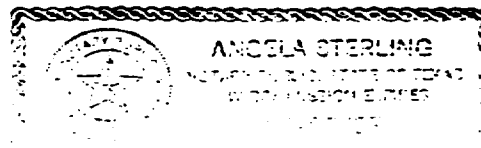
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Robert A. Wohlford
Robert A. Wohlford

Date: 1/25/94

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.



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Angela Sterling
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/3/97

James E. Mitchell
James E. Mitchell

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared James E. Mitchell to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

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Robert B. Hance
Robert B. Hance

Date: 3/15/94

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.



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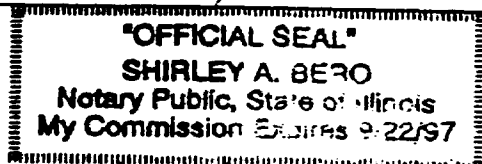
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Peter A. Lagocki
Peter A. Lagocki

Date: 3/21/94

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.



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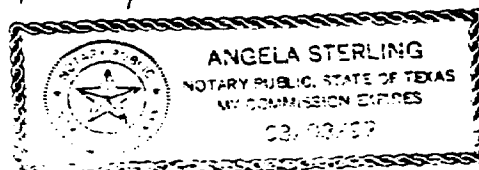
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Richard A. Merriam
Richard A. Merriam

Date: 1/25/94

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COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.



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Angela Sterling
Notary Public

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Charles D. Pennington
Charles D. Pennington

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.

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Notary Public, State of Illinois
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On MARCH 21, 1994, before me personally appeared Charles D. Pennington to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Shirley A. Bero
Notary Public

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Linda S. Schmidt
Linda S. Schmidt

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.

Date: 3/27/94

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SHIRLEY A. BERO
Notary Public, State of Illinois
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On MARCH 22, 1994, before me personally appeared Linda S. Schmidt to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Shirley A. Bero
Notary Public

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Adrian M. Spronk
Adrian M. Spronk

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.

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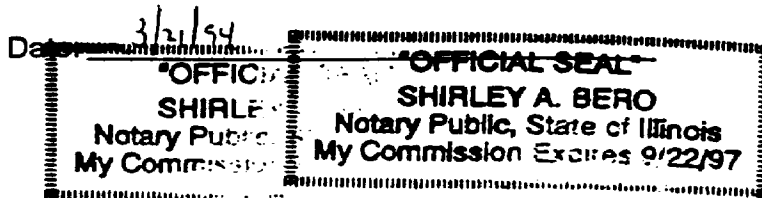
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Shirley A. Bero
Notary Public

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Richard L. Vickstrom
Richard L. Vickstrom
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) ss.



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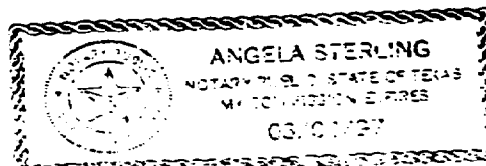
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William E. Watkins III
William E. Watkins, III

Date: 1/25/94

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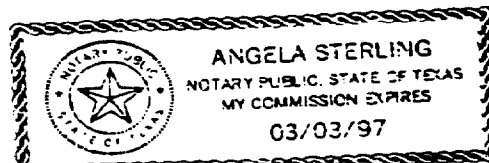
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Gilbert Clift
Gilbert Clift

Date: 1-25-94

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.



On 1-25, 1994, before me personally appeared Gilbert Clift to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Angela Sterling
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/3/97

Alyn K. Stanton

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Alyn K. Stanton to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

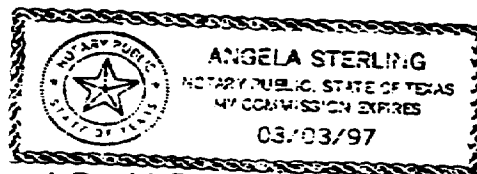
My Commission Expires: _____

David B. Hills

David B. Hills

Date: 1-25-94

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF DALLAS) ss.



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Angela Sterling
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My Commission Expires: 3/3/97

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Box Assignment
The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Daniel W. Collins

Date

Serial No:

Filed: December 31, 1993

Case No. 5150.US.P28

ASSIGNMENT

For One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration received from Abbott Laboratories, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois and having an office and place of business at Abbott Park, County of Lake, State of Illinois, United States of America, Frederick L. Clark of Plano, Texas; Kendall B. Hendrick of Southlake, Texas; Richard R. Martin of Irving, Texas; Larry W. Moore of Plano, Texas; William J. Raymoure of Lake Bluff, Illinois; Paul R. Schrier of Carrollton, Texas; Edna S. Walker of Chicago, Illinois; Donny Ray Walker of Coppell, Texas; Gary E. Winter of Hanover Park, Illinois; Kevin M. Cloonan of Round Lake, Illinois; David A. Yost of Poolesville, Maryland; John M. Clemens of Wadsworth, Illinois; William J. Kanewske, III of Pleasanton, California; Douglas D. McDowell of Wildwood, Illinois; Carl M. Oleksak of Fort Worth, Texas; William D. Rumbaugh of Carrollton, Texas; B. Jane Smith of Vernon Hills, Illinois; James A. Vaught of Euless, Texas; Apparao Tayi of Grayslake, Illinois; Robert A. Wohlford of Irving, Texas; James E. Mitchell of Lake Barrington, Illinois; Robert B. Hance of Evanston, Illinois; Peter A. Lagocki of Park Ridge, Illinois; Richard A. Merriam of Dallas, Texas; Charles D. Pennington of Lake Zurich, Illinois; Linda S. Schmidt of Mundelein, Illinois; Adrian M. Spronk of Lindenhurst, Illinois; Richard L. Vickstrom of Algonquin, Illinois; William E. Watkins, III of Cedar Hill, Texas; Gilbert Clift of Mesquite, Texas; Alyn K. Stanton of Barrington, Illinois; David B. Hills of Plano, Texas in the United States of America, inventors and owners of an invention entitled SAMPLE CONTAINER SEGMENT ASSEMBLY which has been assigned Attorney's docket number 5150.US.P28 as set forth in the application signed by us, do hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto Abbott Laboratories, the entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America and the Territories thereof and for all foreign countries and territories, in and to said invention (including the above-referenced patent application and any foreign equivalents thereof, any continuation, continuation-in-part, or division thereof, and any patent, reissue, extension or reexamination based thereon); and we do authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any letters patent issuing on said invention to Abbott Laboratories in accordance herewith; this assignment being under covenant that we have full power to make the same, and also that such assigned right is not encumbered by any grant, license or other right heretofore given, and that we will do any further lawful act desired by this assignee in the prosecution of such application, and any and all other applications, United States or foreign, which may be filed on said invention by us or on our behalf.

We hereby authorize and request the attorneys appointed by us in said application to record on this assignment the Serial No. and filing date of said application when such are ascertained.

Signed by us on the dates hereinafter set forth.

Frederick L. Clark

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Frederick L. Clark
to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Kendall B. Hendrick

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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Richard R. Martin

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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Larry W. Moore

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Larry W. Moore to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

William J. Raymoure

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared William J. Raymoure to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Paul R. Schrier

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Paul R. Schrier to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

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Edna S. Walker

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Notary Public

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Donny Ray Walker

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
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Notary Public

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Gary E. Winter

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Kevin M. Cloonan

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

David A. Yost

Date: March 30, 1994

STATE OF MARYLAND)
COUNTY OF Montgomery) ss.

On 30 March, 1994, before me personally appeared David A. Yost to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 2-04-95

John M. Clemens

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

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William J. Kanewske, III

Date: _____

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Douglas D. McDowell

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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William D. Rumbaugh

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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B. Jane Smith

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared B. Jane Smith to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Notary Public

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James A. Vaught

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Apparao Tayi

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COUNTY OF _____)

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Peter A. Lagocki

Date: _____

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Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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Date: _____

Charles D. Pennington -

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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My Commission Expires: _____

Linda S. Schmidt

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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Adrian M. Spronk

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Richard L. Vickstrom

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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My Commission Expires: _____

William E. Watkins, III

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Gilbert Clift

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Alyn K. Stanton

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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David B. Hills

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Kendall B. Hendrick

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Richard R. Martin

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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Larry W. Moore

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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William J. Raymoure

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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My Commission Expires: _____

Paul R. Schrier

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Edna S. Walker

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Donny Ray Walker

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Gary E. Winter

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Kevin M. Cloonan

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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STATE OF MARYLAND)
) ss.
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John M. Clemens

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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William J. Kanewske, III

Date: _____

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Douglas D. McDowell

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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Carl M. Oleksak

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Carl M. Oleksak to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

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William D. Rumbaugh

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

B. Jane Smith

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared B. Jane Smith to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Notary Public

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James A. Vaught

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared James A. Vaught to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Apparao Tayi

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Robert A. Wohlford

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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James E. Mitchell

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Robert B. Hance

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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Peter A. Lagocki

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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Richard A. Merriam

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Charles D. Pennington

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Charles D. Pennington to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Linda S. Schmidt

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Linda S. Schmidt to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

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My Commission Expires: _____

Adrian M. Spronk

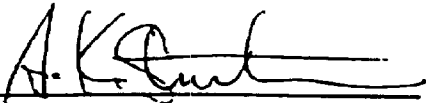
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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Adrian M. Spronk to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

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Richard L. Vickstrom

Date: 3.28.94

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF _____)

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Notary Public

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William E. Watkins, III

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
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Gilbert Clift

Date: _____

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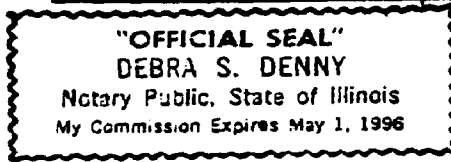
My Commission Expires: _____

A. K. Stanton

Alyn K. Stanton

Date: 3.28.94

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.



On March 28, 1994, before me personally appeared Alyn K. Stanton to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Debora S. Denny
Notary Public

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David B. Hills

Date: _____

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Case No. 5150.US.P28

ASSIGNMENT

For One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration received from Abbott Laboratories, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois and having an office and place of business at Abbott Park, County of Lake, State of Illinois, United States of America, Frederick L. Clark of Plano, Texas; Kendall B. Hendrick of Southlake, Texas; Richard R. Martin of Irving, Texas; Larry W. Moore of Plano, Texas; William J. Raymoure of Lake Bluff, Illinois; Paul R. Schrier of Carrollton, Texas; Edna S. Walker of Chicago, Illinois; Donny Ray Walker of Coppell, Texas; Gary E. Winter of Hanover Park, Illinois; Kevin M. Cloonan of Round Lake, Illinois; David A. Yost of Poolesville, Maryland; John M. Clemens of Wadsworth, Illinois; William J. Kanewske, III of Pleasanton, California; Douglas D. McDowell of Wildwood, Illinois; Carl M. Oleksak of Fort Worth, Texas; William D. Rumbaugh of Carrollton, Texas; B. Jane Smith of Vernon Hills, Illinois; James A. Vaught of Euless, Texas; Apparao Tayi of Grayslake, Illinois; Robert A. Wohlford of Irving, Texas; James E. Mitchell of Lake Barrington, Illinois; Robert B. Hance of Evanston, Illinois; Peter A. Lagocki of Park Ridge, Illinois; Richard A. Merriam of Dallas, Texas; Charles D. Pennington of Lake Zurich, Illinois; Linda S. Schmidt of Mundelein, Illinois; Adrian M. Spronk of Lindenhurst, Illinois; Richard L. Vickstrom of Algonquin, Illinois; William E. Watkins, III of Cedar Hill, Texas; Gilbert Clift of Mesquite, Texas; Alyn K. Stanton of Barrington, Illinois; David B. Hills of Plano, Texas in the United States of America, inventors and owners of an invention entitled SAMPLE CONTAINER SEGMENT ASSEMBLY which has been assigned Attorney's docket number 5150.US.P28 as set forth in the application signed by us, do hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto Abbott Laboratories, the entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America and the Territories thereof and for all foreign countries and territories, in and to said invention (including the above-referenced patent application and any foreign equivalents thereof, any continuation, continuation-in-part, or division thereof, and any patent, reissue, extension or reexamination based thereon); and we do authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any letters patent issuing on said invention to Abbott Laboratories in accordance herewith; this assignment being under covenant that we have full power to make the same, and also that such assigned right is not encumbered by any grant, license or other right heretofore given, and that we will do any further lawful act desired by this assignee in the prosecution of such application, and any and all other applications, United States or foreign, which may be filed on said invention by us or on our behalf.

We hereby authorize and request the attorneys appointed by us in said application to record on this assignment the Serial No. and filing date of said application when such are ascertained.

Signed by us on the dates hereinafter set forth.

Frederick L. Clark

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Frederick L. Clark to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Kendall B. Hendrick

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Kendall B. Hendrick to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Richard R. Martin

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Richard R. Martin to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Larry W. Moore

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Larry W. Moore to
me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

William J. Raymoure

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared William J.
Raymoure to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing
instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Paul R. Schrier

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Paul R. Schrier to
me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Edna S. Walker

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Edna S. Walker to
me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Donny Ray Walker

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Donny Ray Walker
to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Gary E. Winter

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Gary E. Winter to
me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Kevin M. Cloonan

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Kevin M. Cloonan to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

David A. Yost

Date: _____

STATE OF MARYLAND)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared David A. Yost to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

John M. Clemens

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared John M. Clemens to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

William J. Kanewski, III
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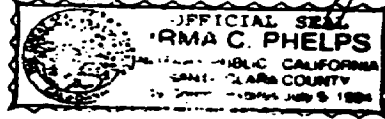
Date: 3/24/94

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF S.C.) ss.

On March 24, 1994, before me personally appeared William J. Kanewski, III to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Irma C. Phelps
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: July 5, 1994



Date: _____

Douglas D. McDowell

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Douglas D. McDowell to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Date: _____

Carl M. Oleksak

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Carl M. Oleksak to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

William D. Rumbaugh

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared William D. Rumbaugh to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

B. Jane Smith

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared B. Jane Smith to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

James A. Vaught

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared James A. Vaught to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Apparao Tayi

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Apparao Tayi to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Robert A. Wohlford

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Robert A. Wohlford to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

James E. Mitchell

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared James E. Mitchell to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Robert B. Hance

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Robert B. Hance to
me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Peter A. Lagocki

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Peter A. Lagocki to
me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Richard A. Merriam

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Richard A. Merriam
to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Charles D. Pennington

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Charles D. Pennington to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Linda S. Schmidt

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Linda S. Schmidt to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Adrian M. Spronk

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Adrian M. Spronk to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Richard L. Vickstrom
Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Richard L. Vickstrom to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____

William E. Watkins, III
Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared William E. Watkins, III to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____

Gilbert Clift
Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Gilbert Clift to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____

Alyn K. Stanton

Date: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared Alyn K. Stanton to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

David B. Hills

Date: _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 1994, before me personally appeared David B. Hills to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the:

Box Assignment
The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Daniel W. Collins

Date