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ASSIGNMENT BY JOINT INVENTORS

Of: SHOE SOLE (U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 29/092,423)

From: Denis Norton, an individual

Diana A. Wurfbain, an individual

To: Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc.

We, Denis Norton, a citizen of the United States residing at 7569 Longmeadow Lane, Athens, Ohio 45701, and Diana A. Wurfbain, a citizen of Holland residing at 6600-A Brown Road, Athens, Ohio 45701, having invented a new, original and ornamental design for SHOE SOLE, for which we are applying for Letters Patent of the United States by an application so titled, said application being filed herewith;

For and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration paid to us from Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc., a corporation of the State of Ohio having its corporate offices at 45 East Canal Street, Nelsonville, Ohio 45764, the receipt and sufficiency of which we acknowledge, by this Assignment;

We sell, assign and transfer to Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc. the entire and undivided right, title and interest in and to our invention of new, original and ornamental design for SHOE SOLE, our said application for letters patent, the invention therein described, and all rights appurtenant thereto and in all our applications related thereto, including each of the following: the right to apply for any letters patent for said invention in the United States and in any and all foreign countries, any and all other applications for letters patent on said invention, in whatsoever

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We authorize and grant the right to Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc. to file and prosecute patent applications in any or all countries for any part of said invention in our names or in the name of Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc. or otherwise, as Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc. may deem advisable under any international convention, treaty, or agreement or otherwise;

We authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and the empowered officials of all other countries to grant, issue and transfer any letters patent for the said inventions arising out of said application to Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc., as assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein, in accordance with this instrument of assignment;

We represent and warrant that there are no rights or interests outstanding inconsistent with the rights and interests granted herein; we covenant that we will not execute, grant, or transfer any rights or interests inconsistent herewith; we bind ourselves and our respective heirs,

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executors, administrators and legal representatives to execute and deliver to Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc., its successors and assigns, any further documents or instruments and to perform any and all further acts that may be deemed necessary to enable it, its successors and assigns to file the said applications for letters patent for the said invention in any country in which it may elect to file such applications, and to vest in Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc., its successors and assigns, the title herein conveyed and intended to so be conveyed, and to enable such title to be recorded in the United States and each foreign country in which each such application may be filed so that any patent issued thereon shall be issued to Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc., its successors and assigns; and we further covenant and agree, for ourselves and our respective executors, administrators and legal representatives, that we and they will, upon request, communicate to Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc., its successors and assigns, any facts relating to the said invention and the history thereof, known to us or them and that we and they will testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested to do so by Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc., its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands on the day(s) indicated.	
	Denis Norton
STATE OF OHIO)	ss:
COUNTY OF ATHENS On this day of	_, 1998, before me personally appeared Denis Norton
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On this 15 day of 0	_, 1998, before me personally appeared Diana A. rument and who acknowledged to me that she the purpose therein set forth.
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