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# Assignment Of Application

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, respectively,

have invented certain new and useful improvements in: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS HAVING  
AN IMPROVED DEVELOPER-SUPPLYING MECHANISM AND METHOD THEREOF

for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on \_\_\_\_\_

(Application No. 09/164,282, filed October 1, 1998), and

WHEREAS, RICOH COMPANY, LTD.

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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5.00), the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, I (WE), by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

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