

12-22-1998



100926310

12-16-98

RECORDATION FORM COVER SHEET
PATENTS ONLY

TO: The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original document(s) or copy(ies).

Submission Type

New

Resubmission (Non-Recordation)
Document ID#

Correction of PTO Error
Reel # Frame #

Corrective Document
Reel # Frame #

Conveyance Type

Assignment Security Agreement

License Change of Name

Merger Other

U.S. Government
(For Use ONLY by U.S. Government Agencies)

Departmental File Secret File

Conveying Party(ies)

Mark if additional names of conveying parties attached

Name (line 1) Thomas McGahan

Execution Date
Month Day Year
11 23 98

Name (line 2)

Execution Date
Month Day Year

Second Party

Name (line 1)

Name (line 2)

Receiving Party

Mark if additional names of receiving parties attached

Name (line 1) SDGI Holdings

If document to be recorded is an assignment and the receiving party is not domiciled in the United States, an appointment of a domestic representative is attached. (Designation must be a separate document from Assignment.)

Name (line 2)

Address (line 1) 1800 Pyramid Place

Address (line 2)

Address (line 3) Memphis TN U.S.A. 38132
City State/Country Zip Code

Domestic Representative Name and Address

Enter for the first Receiving Party only.

Name

Address (line 1)

Address (line 2)

Address (line 3)

Address (line 4)

40E

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

12/21/1998 JSHABAZZ 00000193 09111203

01 FC:581

40.00 DP

Public burden reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average approximately 30 minutes per Cover Sheet to be recorded, including time for reviewing the document and gathering the data needed to complete the Cover Sheet. Send comments regarding this burden estimate to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Chief Information Officer, Washington, D.C. 20231 and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0651-0027), Washington, D.C. 20463. See OMB Information Collection Budget Package 0651-0027, Patent and Trademark Assignment Practice. DO NOT SEND REQUESTS TO RECORD ASSIGNMENT DOCUMENTS TO THIS ADDRESS.

Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet(s) information to:
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Box Assignments, Washington, D.C. 20231

PATENT
REEL: 9647 FRAME: 0458

Correspondent Name and Address

Area Code and Telephone Number

Name

Address (line 1)

Address (line 2)

Address (line 3)

Address (line 4)

Pages Enter the total number of pages of the attached conveyance document including any attachments.

#

Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s)

Mark if additional numbers attached

Enter either the Patent Application Number or the Patent Number (DO NOT ENTER BOTH numbers for the same property).

Patent Application Number(s)

Patent Number(s)

If this document is being filed together with a new Patent Application, enter the date the patent application was signed by the first named executing inventor.

Month Day Year

Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

Enter PCT application number only if a U.S. Application Number has not been assigned.

PCT PCT PCT
PCT PCT PCT

Number of Properties

Enter the total number of properties involved.

#

Fee Amount

Fee Amount for Properties Listed (37 CFR 3.41): \$

Method of Payment:

Enclosed Deposit Account

Deposit Account

(Enter for payment by deposit account or if additional fees can be charged to the account.)

Deposit Account Number:

#

Authorization to charge additional fees:

Yes No

Statement and Signature

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Charges to deposit account are authorized, as indicated herein.

Joseph A. Naughton

Name of Person Signing



Signature

December 11, 1998

Date

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Thomas McGahan, whose post office address is 4904 Harvest Fields Circle, Memphis, Tennessee 38125, hereinafter referred to as Assignor, has made a new and useful invention in a TEMPLATE FOR POSITIONING INTERBODY FUSION DEVICES, which is a continuation-in-part of pending application Serial No. 08/889,473 filed July 8, 1997, which is a divisional application of Serial No. 08/427,432 filed April 24, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,645,549, and for which Assignor has made or will make application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, SDGI Holdings, Inc., hereinafter referred to as Assignee, a corporation of the State of Delaware having a principal place of business at 1800 Pyramid Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38132, desires to acquire all of the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under said invention disclosed, described and claimed or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, which may be obtained therefor and thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for an in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good, valuable and sufficient considerations to Assignors in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, all of the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under said invention disclosed, described and claimed or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application for United States Letters Patent, and any and all other applications thereon and arising therefrom, including any and all divisions and

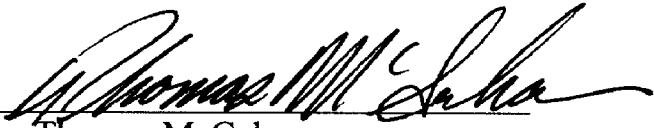
continuations thereof, and any and all patents to be issued and obtained therefor and thereon, United States and foreign, including all reissues and extensions thereof.

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Honorable Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to Assignee, its assigns and legal representatives.

Assignor agrees to assign and execute any and all other papers necessary or desirable for the procurement of Letters Patent on said invention in this and all foreign countries for the use of Assignee.

WITNESS Assignor's hands this 23RD day of NOVEMBER, 1998.

By:


Thomas McGahan