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ASSIGNMENT

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WHEREAS, we, Jon David Michael Ahrend, residing at 12765 West 91st, Sapulpa, OK 74066, and Don Maddox Womble, residing at 305 South College Ave., Justin, Texas 76247 (Assignors), are the inventors of an invention or improvement entitled FRACTURE REDUCTION CLAMP for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, of even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Alliance Orthopedic, Inc. (Assignee), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, having its principal office and place of business in the City of Roanoke, State of Texas, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application in the United States of America and in any and all countries foreign thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, for One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said Alliance Orthopedic, Inc., its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, and the said application, and all provisional, divisional, renewal, substitutional, and continuing applications thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States of America which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, and all extensions, renewals, reexaminations and reissues thereof, and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said invention to the said Alliance Orthopedic, Inc., its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to said Alliance Orthopedic, Inc., its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional,

renewal, substitutional, continuing, and reissue applications, make all rightful declarations and/or oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Alliance Orthopedic, Inc. its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 20 day of November, 1998.

Assignor: Jon David Michael Ahrend
Jon David Michael Ahrend

State of Texas §
County of Dallas § SS.
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I, ANNE Ziegler, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Jon David Michael Ahrend, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 20 day of November, 1998.

Anne Ziegler
Notary Public

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 24th day of November, 1998.

Assignor: Don Maddox Womble
Don Maddox Womble

State of Texas §
County of Hester § SS.
§

I, Patricia M. Diamond, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Don Maddox Womble, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 24th day of November, 1998.



Patricia M. Diamond
Notary Public

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