

A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, I, ROBERT CLEVELAND WARD, of Nevada, in the County of Vernon, State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a

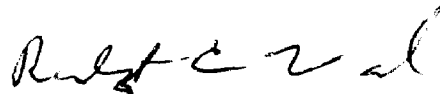
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for which I am about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, MIL-TECH, INC., a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, and having its principal place of business at Route 2, Highway 54 East, Box 247-A in the County of Vernon, and State of Missouri, is desirous of acquiring an interest in, to and under said invention, said application and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted for or upon said invention in the United States of America and all countries foreign thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I, ROBERT CLEVELAND WARD, have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said MIL-TECH, INC., the full and exclusive right, title and interest throughout the world, in, to and under said invention as fully set forth and described in the specification prepared and executed by me on 11-11-18, preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States therefor; in, to and under said application; in, to and under all refilings, divisions and continuations of said application; in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States of

America which may issue from said application, refilings, divisions and continuations; in, to and under any and all reissues of said Letters Patent of the United States of America; in, to and under any and all applications for Letters Patent upon said invention which may hereafter be filed in any and all countries foreign to the United States of America; in, to and under any and all refilings, divisions and continuations of said foreign-filed applications; in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States of America, which may issue from the said foreign-filed applications, refilings, divisions and continuations; and in, to and under any and all extensions of, and additions to, said Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States of America, the same to be held and enjoyed by said MIL-TECH, INC. for its own use and behoof, and for its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the terms for which said Letters Patent may be granted, and I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent of the United States of America in accordance with this assignment.



ROBERT CLEVELAND WARD

STATE OF MISSOURI)
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COUNTY OF VERNON) ss.

On this 11th day of November, 1998, before me personally appeared ROBERT CLEVELAND WARD, to me known to be the person described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.


Notary Public

Seal

My Commission expires:

DANA T. CAVENIER
Notary Public - Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
Vernon County
My Commission Expires March 27, 2002