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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Atto Instruments, LLC, of 1450 Research Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland 20850, a Limited Liability Company organized and existing under the laws of the Country of U.S.A., is the exclusive owner, by assignment, of the Letters Patent of the United States of America No. 5,723,943 issued on March 3, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Carl Zeiss Holding Co., Inc., of One Zeiss Drive, Thornwood, New York 10594, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Country of U.S.A. (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said Letters Patent:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5.00) and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Atto Instruments, LLC, by these presents does sell, assign, and transfer unto ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest for the territory of the United States of America, in and to the aforesaid Letters Patent and the invention described therein, and any reissue or reissues of said Letters Patent to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent have been granted or reissues may be granted, said invention and Letters Patent to be held and enjoyed by the ASSIGNEE for the use and behoof of said ASSIGNEE, and for the use and behoof of their successors, assigns or other legal representatives, and for claims for damage by reasons of infringement past and present, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this Assignment and sale not been made.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Atto Instruments, LLC, has caused these presents to be signed by its officer thereunto duly authorized.

By:

Name: Jeffrey Scott Brooker Tirle: President

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