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ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,

we, the undersigned, Joseph J. Chang, Cathy J. Myers, and Mark A. Panzera

Hereby sell, assign, and transfer to: Ethicon, Inc.

a corporation of New Jersey, having a principal place of business at: U.S.

Route 22, Somerville, New Jersey 08876 ("Assignee")

its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent,

which has been executed by the undersigned concurrently herewith,

which was filed _____, 199__ and assigned Serial No. _____

and is entitled: POSITIVE ENGAGEMENT-DISENGAGEMENT CATHETER SLEEVE

and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said improvements; and in and to all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application;

Agree that said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said improvements in its own name; and that, when requested, without charge to, but at the expense of, said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this Assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all said improvements; execute all rightful oaths, assignments powers of attorney and other papers; communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns, and representatives, all facts known to the undersigned relating to said improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which said Assignee, its successors, assigns or representatives shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection for said improvements and for vesting title to said improvements and all applications for patents and all patents on said improvements, in said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives; and

Covenant with said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein

conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

Date: 12/23/98

Joseph Chang
Name: Joseph J. Chang

State of Texas }
County of Tarrant } SS

On this 23rd day of Dec 1998, before me, Kristie McGrath,
the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Joseph Chang,
 personally known to me **OR**

 proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Kristie McGrath
Notary's Signature

Date: _____

Name: Cathy J. Myers

State of _____ }
County of _____ } SS

On this ___ day of _____ 19 __, before me, _____,
the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared _____,
 personally known to me **OR**

 proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary's Signature

conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

Date: _____

Name: Joseph J. Chang

State of _____ }

} SS

County of _____ }

On this ___ day of _____ 19 __, before me, _____, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared _____

_____ personally known to me *OR*

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Date: 12/23/98

Name: Cathy J. Myers

State of CT }

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County of Hartford }

On this 13 day of Dec 1998, before me, MARJORIE T. ENOSE, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Cathy J. Myers

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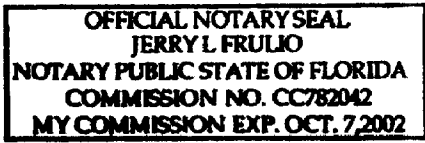
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Date: 12/24/98

Mark A. Panzera
Name: Mark A. Panzera

State of FLORIDA)
County of BREVARD) SS



On this 24 day of December 1998, before me, JERRY L. FRULIO,
the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared MARK A PANZERA,
 personally known to me *OR*
 proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to
the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized
capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of
which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.
Jerry L. Frulio
Notary's Signature