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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEM.



**COVER SHEET FOR RECORDAL OF DOCUMENT (PATENT)**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**MRD 5-11-98**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 3.31, enclosed herewith is a document for recordal in this case.  
The following information is provided:

**(1) Name Of Party Conveying The Interest:**

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Ronald W. Randen, Jr.

**(2) Name And Address Of Party Receiving The Interest:**

La-Z-Boy Incorporated  
1284 N. Telegraph Road  
Monroe, Michigan 48162

**(3) Description Of The Transaction To Be Recorded:**

☒ Assignment      ☐ License  
☐ Change of Name    ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**(4) Application(s) and/or Patent(s) Against Which Enclosure Is To Be Recorded:**

☒ Serial Number 29/083,356, filed February 9, 1998.  
☐ Application being filed concurrently herewith.  
☐ Patent Number \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_

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**(5) Name And Address Of The Party To Whom Correspondence Concerning This Request To Record Should Be Mailed:**

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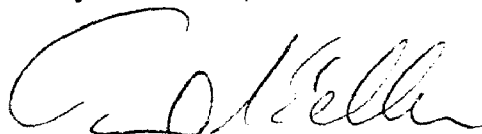
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(7) **Date(s) The Document Was Executed:** May 4, 1998

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct, and if the attached is not an original document, the undersigned verifies that it is a true copy of the original.

If, for some reason, Applicant(s) has/have not paid a sufficient fee, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any further fees which may be due. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

Paul A. Keller  
Reg. No. 29,752  
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Date: 5/7/98

**ASSIGNMENT BY JOINT INVENTORS**

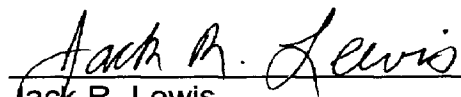
WHEREAS, the undersigned, hereinafter referred to as Assignors, have invented certain new and useful improvements in

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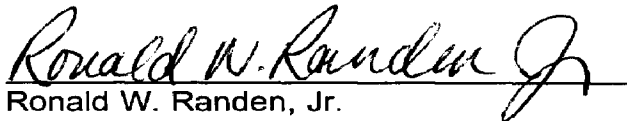
for which Assignors have made United States application for patent under Serial No. 29/083,356, filed February 9, 1998, and

WHEREAS, La-Z-Boy Incorporated, a Michigan corporation, having a place of business at 1284 N. Telegraph Road, Monroe, Michigan 48162, hereinafter referred to as Assignee, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Assignors by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, its successors in interest, the full and exclusive right in the United States of America and all foreign countries, including the right to claim priority under the laws of the United States and the Paris Convention, to the said invention as described in the aforesaid application, said application for patent and all Letters Patent therefor to be held and enjoyed by Assignee to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted and any extensions thereof, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Assignors had this assignment and sale not been made; and Assignors hereby covenant and agree to execute all instruments or documents required or requested for the making and prosecution of applications for patent in the United States and in all foreign countries, for litigation regarding, or for the purpose of protecting title to the said invention, the United States application for patent, or Letters Patent therefor for the benefit of Assignee without further or other compensation than that above set forth; and Assignors hereby request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to Assignee.



Jack R. Lewis  
(First joint inventor)



Ronald W. Randen, Jr.  
(Second joint inventor)

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State of Michigan )  
 ) ss.  
County of Monroe )

On this 4 day of May, 1998, before me personally appeared the foregoing individuals, who executed the foregoing instrument and who acknowledged to me that they executed the same of their own free will for the purpose therein set forth.

Diane Doncouse  
Notary Public,

(seal)

Monroe County, State of Michigan

My Commission Expires: 2-11-99

DIANE DONCOUSE  
Notary Public, Monroe County, MI  
My Commission Expires Feb. 11, 1999

This document must be executed before the same notary by all inventors on the same day.