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Whereas, I, <u>Gerald P. Skalka</u>, a citizen of <u>the United States</u>, and residing at <u>9904</u> <u>Avenel Farm Drive</u>, <u>Potomac</u>, <u>Maryland 20854</u>, have invented certain new and useful improvements in <u>DESIGN FOR A TRASH CAN RECEPTACLE</u> for which an application for United States Letters Patent:

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Whereas, <u>Victor Stanley</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, (hereinafter Assignee), a corporation of <u>the United States</u> having a principal place of business at <u>Brickhouse Road</u>, <u>Dunkirk</u>, <u>Maryland 20754</u>, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest to the said invention, and in and to the said application and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

Now, therefore, for and in consideration of one dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the undersigned, do hereby sell and assign to the said Assignee, the successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest of the undersigned in and to the said invention and in and to the said application and all patents which may be granted therefor, and extensions thereof; and the undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as his interest is concerned to the said Assignee, as assignee of his entire right, title and interest.

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