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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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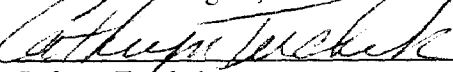
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3. Description of the interest conveyed:

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4. These documents are being filed with application U.S. Serial No. 29/097,239, filed December 02, 1998, the execution date of which is: January 15, January 20, February 1, 8 and 12, 1999.
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# **ASSIGNMENT**

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, We, the undersigned,

**Craig M. Saunders, Jeffrey M. Kalman, John S. Murphy, Richard C. Farone  
Robert A. Matousek, Michael F. Wright and David M. Brickner**

who have created a certain invention for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been executed concurrently herewith and is entitled

## **TOOL CADDY FOR VACUUM CLEANER**

Do hereby sell, assign and transfer to **ROYAL APPLIANCE MFG. CO.**, a corporation of the State of Ohio having a place of business 650 Alpha Drive, Cleveland, Ohio 44143, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right to said invention and said application and to any and all inventions described in said application for the United States, its territorial possessions and all foreign countries, and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States, its territorial possessions and all foreign countries; and in and to any and all continuations-in-part, continuations, divisions, substitutes, reissues, extensions thereof, and all other applications for Letters Patent relating thereto which have been or shall be filed in the United States, its territorial possessions and/or any foreign countries, and all rights, together with all priority rights, under any of the international conventions, unions, agreements, acts, and treaties, including all future conventions, unions agreements, acts, and treaties;

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF WE have hereunto set OUR signatures on the dates indicated below.

  
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Date 2-8-99

  
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**Jeffrey M. Kalman**

Date 2-12-99

  
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Date 1/15/99

  
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