FORM PTO-1595

Statement and signature.

the original document.

Merri C. Merrill

Name of Person Signing

03-11-1999

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached?

Yes

No If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: ___ 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: James B. Raden Name: 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40.00 Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue Internal Address:__ © Enclosed Authorized to be charged to deposit account. any deficiency in payment submitted herewith. Street Address: 77 West Wacker Drive 8. Deposit account number: 10-1202 City: Chicago ZIP: 60601-State: _ (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account) DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

> Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet information to: Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks, Box Assignments Washington, D.C. 20231

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document:

2/18/99

Date

REEL: 9796 FRAME: 0092

Attorney Ref: 097205026027

ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, We, Mark E. Hartelius, Richard W. Carton, and Jeff A. Alward, all citizens of the United States of America, hereby sell, assign and transfer to Strombecker Corporation., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and having its principal place of business at 600 North Pulaski Road, Chicago, Illinois 60624-1083, as assignee, and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for all countries in and to certain inventions relating to improvements in a

"FINGERNAIL STAMPER CRAFT SET"

described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States:
(Check one):
filed on <u>February 3, 1999</u> as application Serial No. <u>09/244,287</u> ;
submitted herewith;
and all the rights and privileges under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted therefor.

We request that any and all patents for said inventions be issued to said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, or to such nominees as it may designate.

We agree that, when requested, we will, without charge to said assignee but at its expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining patents for said inventions in any and all countries and for vesting title thereto in said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees.

We authorize and empower the said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees, to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions filed by it or them, the benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it, and to invoke and claim such right of priority without further written or oral authorization from me.

We hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any assignment, consent to file or like document which may be required in any country for any purpose and more particularly in proof of the right of the said assignee or nominee to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it.

PATENT REEL: 9796 FRAME: 0093 We covenant with said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, that the rights and property herein conveyed are free and clear of any encumbrance, and that we have full right to convey the same as herein expressed.

Signed at CHICARO, 1C
(city, state)
this day of Tonnand, 1998.7 Mark E. Hartelius
Signed in our presence and acknowledged to be an assignment of the application (invention) herein above referred to.
Witness Twan Wux Date 2/15/99
Witness Zwar Wut Date 2/15/99
Signed at CHICAGO ILLINOIS (city, state)
this 15 day of FEBRUARY, 1998.9
- ultion
Richard W. Carton

Signed in our presence and acknowledged to be an assignment of the application (invention) herein above referred to.

Witness MALISA F. TOPPING Date 2-15-99

Witness Mall P. A. Date 2-15-99

Signed at	CHUGO!	<u>C.</u>
	(city, state)	
this <u>15</u> day of _	FEBRUARY	, 199 8.9
		It Alund
		/IAF A Alward

Signed in our presence and acknowledged to be an assignment of the application (invention) herein above referred to.

Witness_

Witness_

Date

Date

RECORDED: 03/05/1999

3

PATENT REEL: 9796 FRAME: 0095