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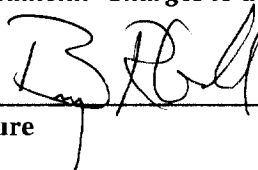
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a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Delaware, as Assignee, and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for all countries in and to certain inventions relating to

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described in United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/077,571, filed 03/03/1998, and further described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, identified as Attorney Docket No. AB-043A, at Advanced Bionics Corporation, 12740 San Fernando Rd., Sylmar, CA 91342, and filed on 02/18/1999, as Application Serial No. 09/251,761, and the invention(s) and improvement(s) set forth therein, and any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, and renewals of and substitutes for said application for said Letters Patent, and all the rights and privileges under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in any country, and any reissues, or reexaminations, or extensions of said Letters Patent. I request that any and all Letters Patent for said inventions be issued to said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, or to such nominees as it may designate.

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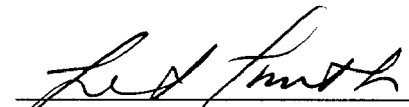
  
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