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- and  
(2) Richard C. Fore of Apex,  
County of Wake and State of North Carolina,
- and  
(3) Dean A. Kalman of Cary,  
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- and  
(4) Robert V. Miller of Cary,  
County of Wake and State of North Carolina,
- and  
(5) Sujatha Pothireddy of Apex,  
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- and  
(6) Robert P. Rowe of Cary,  
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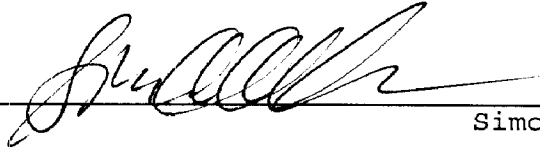
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and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on  
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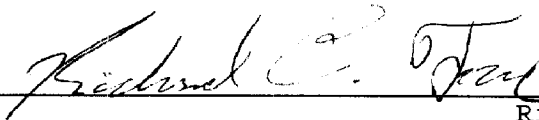
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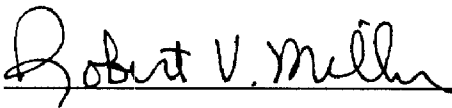
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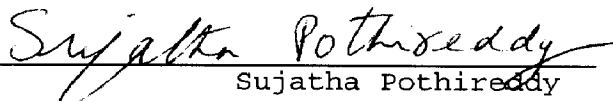
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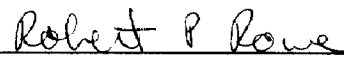
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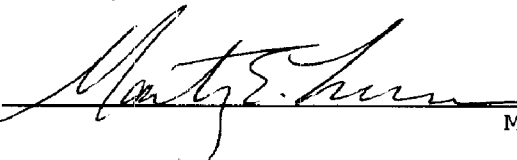
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