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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, ROBERT J. CERWIN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 404 Cafferty Road, Pipersville, Pennsylvania 18947; PETER KONARNYCKY, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 14 Seven Springs Road, Lebanon, New Jersey 08833; CONNIE ROSHDY, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 6 Alton Street, New Egypt, New Jersey 08533; and ALEX ILORI, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 9 Cyndi Court, Flemington, New Jersey 08822, (hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to a PACKAGE FOR DOUBLE-ARMED SUTURES, for which a U.S. patent application was filed on March 15, 1999 under Serial No. 09/268,030; and

WHEREAS, ETHICON, INC., a corporation formed under the laws of the State of New Jersey, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' entire right, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other valuable considerations to them moving, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee their entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made;


And Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that they have a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to them relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives,

successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

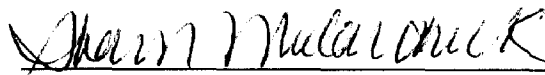
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this day of *April 13*, 1999.


ROBERT J. CERWIN

STATE OF *New Jersey*
COUNTY OF *Hunterdon*

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this *13* day of *April*, 1999, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Robert J. Cerwin who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

SHARON MULARCHUK
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires April 24, 2002


Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this day of *13th April*, 1999.


PETER KONARNYCKY

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BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this *13* day of *April*, 1999, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Peter Konarnycky who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this day of April 13, 1999.

Connie Roshdy
CONNIE ROSHDY

STATE OF New Jersey
COUNTY OF Hunterdon

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 13 day of April, 1999, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Connie Roshdy who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

SHARON MULARCHUK
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Sharon Mularchuk
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this day of 14th April, 1999.

Alex Ilori
ALEX ILORI

STATE OF New Jersey
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BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 14 day of April, 1999, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Alex Ilori who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Sharon Mularchuk
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