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QUANTITY-OF-LIGHT ADJUSTING DEVICE AND OPTICAL APPARATUS HAVING THE SAME

and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States filed by us on March 9, 1999
and which has been accorded Application No. 09/265,258
and in and to said application, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent upon said inventions to the Assignee or to such nominees as it may designate.

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Masahiko Tsuzuki

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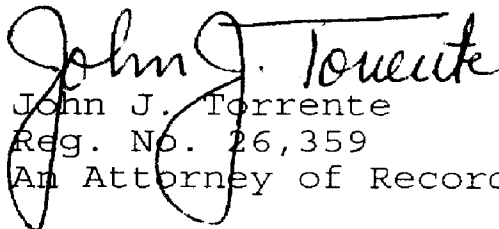
Sir:

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The Assignment for the above-captioned application,
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