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1. Name of conveying party(ies):

- 1. Conrad A. Maxwell
- 2. David P. Braun
- 3. Tom Lau

Additional names(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?  Yes  No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: Conexant Systems, Inc.

Address: 4311 Jamboree Road

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City: Newport Beach State/Prov.: California

Country: USA ZIP: 92660-3095

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Albin H. Gess

May 10, 1999

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We the undersigned, **Conrad A. Maxwell**, a U.S. citizen, residing at 8 Foxcrest, Irvine, CA 92620, and **David P. Braun**, a U.S. citizen, residing at 15071 Humphrey Circle, Irvine, CA 92604 and **Tom Lau**, a U.S. citizen, residing at 2 Libra Court, Coto de Caza, CA 92679 , have invented new and useful **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING SOFT AUDIO AND SOFT MODEM COPY PROTECTION FOR HARDWARE INTERFACES AND SOFTWARE CODE**, Attorney Docket No.: ROC1-BF99/99RSS099, for which we executed an application for United States Letters Patent on even date herewith.

WHEREAS, we verily believe ourselves to be the original, first and sole inventors of the invention set forth in said application for Letters Patent and represent that we have not conveyed or hypothecated any right or interest therein; and

WHEREAS, **CONEXANT SYSTEMS, INC.**, a corporation of the State of Delaware, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "said assignee," having a principal place of business at 4311 Jamboree Road, Newport Beach, CA 92660-3095, is desirous of acquiring the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention, and any and all patent applications which may be filed thereon, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted or issued therefor in the United States and throughout the world, including any and all divisions, continuations, reissues and extensions of any of the foregoing.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of obligations voluntarily assumed by us and other good and valuable consideration, and for the further consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to each of us, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention, patent applications and Letters Patents which may be granted or issued for said invention in the United States and throughout the world, including all divisions, continuations, reissues and extensions thereof, and all international priority rights associated therewith, all to be held by us had this assignment not been made; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and duly

constituted authorities of foreign countries to issue all Letters Patent relating to the foregoing assigned rights to said assignee, its successors and assigns.

We agree that we will at all times keep said assignee advised of our whereabouts; and we will promptly, upon request of said assignee, and without further compensation, but at no out-of-pocket expense to ourselves, do all lawful acts, including the execution of all necessary documents and the giving of testimony that, in the opinion of said assignee, its successors and assigns, may be necessary or desirable for obtaining sustaining, or reissuing United States and foreign Letters Patent relating to the foregoing assigned rights, and for perfecting, affirming, recording, and maintaining the title of said assignee, its successors and assigns thereto; and that we will generally cooperate to the fullest extent in all matters pertaining to said invention and patents and said assignee's title thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed this instrument at \_\_\_\_\_, California on the date indicated adjacent to our names.

Dated: 5/5, 1999

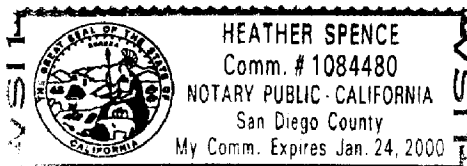
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On May 5, 1999, before me Heather Spence personally appeared Conrad A. Maxwell  personally known to me or  proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Heather Spence  
Notary Public

Dated: May 5, 1999

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David P. Braun

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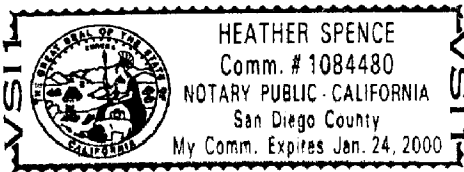
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