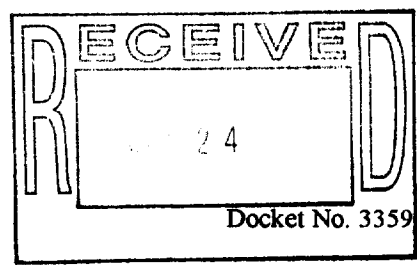


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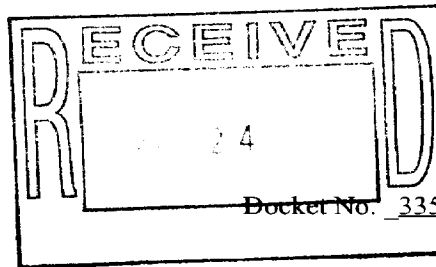
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ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION FOR PATENT

WHEREAS:

PROGRAFT MEDICAL, INC.

1327 Orleans Drive

Sunnyvale, California 94089, U.S.A.

(full name(s) and post office address(es) of ASSIGNOR(s) (including country)), has made a discovery or invention entitled:

IMPLANT DEPLOYMENT APPARATUS

(title of discovery or invention)

[] for which application for Letters Patent of the United States has been executed on even date herewith,

[X] for which application for Letters Patent of the United States has been filed on December 23, 1996, under Serial No. 08/772,373, and

WHEREAS:

GORE ENTERPRISE HOLDINGS, INC.

551 Paper Mill Road, P.O. Box 9206

Newark, Delaware 19714-9206 U.S.

(name and address of assignee)

(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

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Assignor's name: PROGRAFT MEDICAL, INC.
James D. Dykes
Title: Secretary
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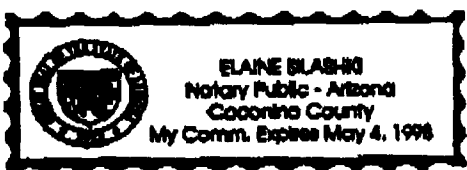
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STATE OF Arizona)
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