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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, we, Liubo Hong and Kenneth E. Knapp (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), having post office addresses of: 945 Summerleaf Place, San Jose, CA 95123; and 3319 Hampstead Court, Livermore, CA 94550; respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled "MR SENSOR WITH BLUNT CONTIGUOUS JUNCTIONS AND SLOW-MILLING-RATE READ GAP," filed March 18, 1999 as U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/272,057;

WHEREAS, Read-Rite Corporation (hereafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Delaware having a place of business at 345 Los Coches Street, Milpitas, California 95035, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues, and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty, or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors an assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had this assignment, transfer, and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protection title to said invention or letters patent therefor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto signed our names on the day and year set forth below.

Liubo Hong
Inventor's Signature

Liubo Hong
Inventor's Printed Name

5/13/99
Date

STATE OF)

COUNTY OF)

On this 13 day of MAY, 19 99, before me personally came the above named Liubo Hong who is personally known by me ~~or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence~~ to be the same individual who executed the foregoing assignment, and who acknowledged to me that he ~~she~~ executed the same of his ~~her~~ own free will for the use and purposes therein set forth.



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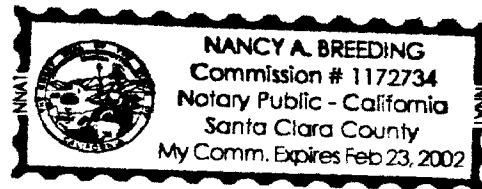
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On this 18 day of MAY, 19 99, before me personally came the above named Kenneth E. Knapp who is personally known by me ~~or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence~~ to be the same individual who executed the foregoing assignment, and who acknowledged to me that he/~~she~~ executed the same of his/~~her~~ own free will for the use and purposes therein set forth.

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