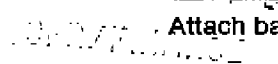


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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Whereas, I/We Thomas Serfling and Volker Heerich of Am Steinborn 73, D-07749 Jena, Germany; and Kleines Feld 8, D-37130 Gleichen, Germany, respectively (hereinafter "Assignor"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in FORENSIC MICROSCOPE. IN PARTICULAR FOR EXAMINATION OF WRITING, which application for Letters Patent in the United States of America ___ is about to be filed; X has been filed.

And Whereas, Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH of Tatzendpromenade 1a, D-07745 Jena, Germany, and Volker Heerich of Kleines Feld 8, D-37130 Gleichen, Germany, (hereinafter "Joint Assignee") is/are desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor.

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