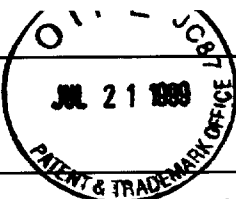


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WHEREAS, **Ethicon, Inc.**, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNOR, a Corporation of **Florida**, having its principal place of business at **4110 George Road, Tampa, Florida 33634** is the owner of a certain invention or improvement for which an application for Letters Patent has been made as Application Serial No. **09/034,686**, filed **March 4, 1998** (hereafter Patent Property); and

WHEREAS, **Critikon Company, LLC**, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNEE, a corporation of **Florida**, having its principal place of business at **4110 George Road, Tampa, Florida 33634**, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said Patent Property in any and all countries;

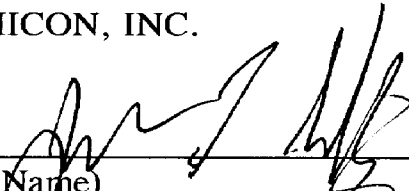
NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said Patent Property and any and all continuations, divisions and renewals of and substitutes for said Patent Property and to and under any and all additional Letters Patent which may be granted on or as a result thereof in the United States and any and all other countries, and any reissue or reissues or extension or extensions of said Letters Patent, and the full right to sue for and recover all profits and damages recoverable for past infringement of the same, and assign to and authorize said ASSIGNEE to file applications for Letters Patent in all countries, to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, nominees or legal representatives, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent respectively may be granted, reissued or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this assignment, sale and transfer not been made.

It is hereby covenanted that ASSIGNOR has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that ASSIGNOR has not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith, and ASSIGNOR further covenants and agrees that it will each time request is made and without undue delay, execute and deliver all such papers as may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said Patent Property in said assignee, its successors, assigns, nominees, or legal representatives, and ASSIGNOR agrees to communicate to said ASSIGNEE or to its nominee all known facts respecting said Patent Property, to testify in any legal proceedings, to sign all lawful papers to execute all disclaimers and divisional, continuing, reissue and foreign applications, to make all rightful oaths, and generally to do everything possible to aid said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, nominees and legal representatives to obtain and enforce for its or their own benefit proper patent protection for said inventions or improvements in any and all countries, all at the expense, however, of said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, nominees or legal representatives.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being properly authorized to execute this Assignment, hereunto sets their hand and seal.

ETHICON, INC.

By:   
(Name)  
Its: Assistant Secretary  
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On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 19 99, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Joseph F. Shirtz, who acknowledged himself/herself to be the Assistant Secretary of ETHICON, INC., a corporation, and that he/she as such Assistant Secretary, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing the name of the corporation by himself/herself as Assistant Secretary.

  
Notary Public

JOAN WEISS  
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY  
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