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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

ne attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Rick Zemen.  
Tiecheng Zhou

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

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: Photronics, Inc.

Internal Address:

Street Address: 15 Secor Road

P.O. Box 5226

City: Brookfield, State: CT ZIP: 06084

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. Nature of conveyance:

- ☒ Assignment ☐ Merger  
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name  
☐ Other

Execution Date: July 22, 1999

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

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A. Patent Application No.(s) 09/283,087

B. Patent No.(s)

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Anthony F. Lo Cicero, Esq.

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40.00

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Anthony F. Lo Cicero, Esq.

Name of Person Signing

Signature

August 26, 1999

Date

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, **RICK ZEMEN** a citizen of the United States of America residing at 13004 Huntwood Cove, Austin Texas 78729 and **TIECHENG ZHOU** a citizen of the Peoples Republic of China residing at 1801 Wells Branch #2004, Austin, Texas 78728 (hereinafter "the Assignors") have invented certain new and useful improvements in the production of photomasks for which an application for United States Letters Patent was filed on March 31, 1999, Serial No. 09/283,087 entitled RE-ETCH OF PHOTOMASKS BY PLASMA WITH RESIST STRIPPED, and

WHEREAS, Photronics, Inc., (hereinafter "the Assignee"), a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, having a principal place of business at 15 Secor Road, P.O. Box 5226, Brookfield, Connecticut 06084, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the invention described therein, and each and every patent that can be issued on said application and on said invention in the United States of America and in its territories and possessions, and in all countries foreign to the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign and

transfer unto the Assignee the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid application, the aforesaid invention, and each and every patent that may be issued on the aforesaid invention and application in the United States of America, and in its territories and possessions and also in all countries foreign to the United States of America, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns or other legal representatives to the end of the term or terms for which a patent or patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this Assignment had not been made.

Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent on the aforesaid invention or resulting from the aforesaid application directly to the Assignee.

Assignors hereby authorize the Assignee and its successors to apply for a patent or patents directly in its own name upon the aforesaid invention wherever the same is permitted by law, and also assigns, sells, transfers and sets over unto the Assignee and its successors all priority rights under the aforesaid application.

Assignors further covenant to execute all additional instruments and to do all things necessary to carry out the purpose of this instrument, at the expense of the Assignee and its successors.

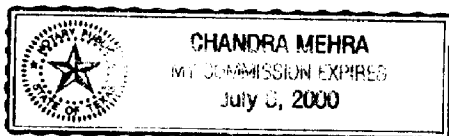
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and  
affixed their seals this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 1999.

Rick Zemen  
RICK ZEMEN

Tiecheng Zhou  
TIECHENG ZHOU

STATE OF ) TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ) WILLAMSON ) ss.:

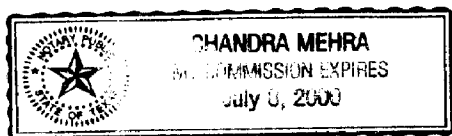
On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 1999, before me came RICK ZEMEN, to  
me known and known to me to be the individual described in, and who executed the  
foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he had executed the same.



Chandra Mehra  
Notary Public

STATE OF ) TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ) WILLAMSON ) ss.:

On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 1999, before me came TIECHENG ZHOU,  
to me known and known to me to be the individual described in, and who executed the  
foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he had executed the same.



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