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**ASSIGNMENT**

In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we the undersigned Lou Henry, 304 West 92nd Street, New York, New York 10025 and Bruce E. Ancona, 21 East 22nd Street, #6K, New York, New York 10010, hereby

Sell, assign and transfer to Ekco Housewares, Inc., a Delaware corporation having a place of business at 9234 West Belmont Avenue, Franklin Park, Illinois 60131, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all hereinafter referred to as the Assignee, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all inventions which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 13, 1999 under Serial No. 29/107,749 and entitled UTENSIL HANDLE, and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said inventions; and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said inventions including the right to apply for patent rights in each foreign country and all rights to priority.

We agree that said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said inventions in its own name; and when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, we agree to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, by executing all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all said inventions, by executing all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers, by communicating to said Assignee all facts known to us relating to said inventions and the history thereof, and generally by doing everything possible which said Assignee shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection for said inventions and for vesting title to said inventions and all applications for patents and all patents on said inventions, in said Assignee.

We hereby request the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said Assignee.

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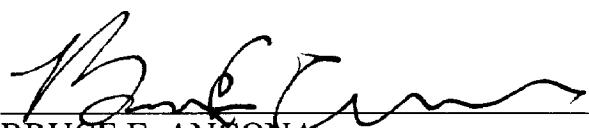
  
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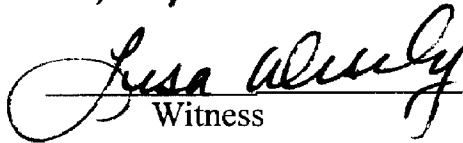
  
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