

Equivalent to Form PTO-1595

101163735

To the Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Attach bar code label here: Please record the attached original or copy thereof Docket No. 58500/003 (RETCO) Name of conveying Party(ies): THOMAS POTTER Name of receiving Party(ies): RETCO INTERNATIONAL Address of receiving Party(ies): 318 North Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701 Nature of Conveyance: 4-Application number(s) or Patent number(s): **Assignment** If this document is being filed together with a [√] Change of Name new application, the execution date of the [] application is: [] Merger Security Agreement [] A) Application number(s): USSN 09/390,557, Other: []**EXECUTION DATE:** September 17, 1999 Filed Sept. 3, 1999 B) Patent number(s): 5-Name and Address of party to whom 6-Total number of applications and patents correspondence concerning document involved: **one** should be mailed: Francis C. Hand, Esq. 7-TOTAL FEE (37 CFR 3.41): \$ 40.00 McAulay Nissen Goldberg Kiel & Hand, LLP [X] Enclosed 261 Madison Avenue (The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional New York, NY 10016-2391 fees required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No: 13-0025.) (212) 986-4090 (212) 818-9479 [] Authorized to be charged to Deposit Account 8-Deposit Account No: 13-0025 DO NOT USE THIS SPACE 9-Statement and Signature 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. 28 5EPT 99 Francis C. Hand Reg. No.: 22,280 Signature **Date** Name of Person Signing Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and documents: <u>4</u>

10/05/1999 MTHAI1

00000281 09390557

01 FC:581

40.00 OP

PATENT REEL: 010283 FRAME: 0505

307

(58500/003 - Retco)

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, THOMAS POTTER, a citizen of the United States of America and a resident

of Carson City, Nevada, have invented new and useful improvements in A TOBACCO PRODUCT

SNUFFER for which a United States patent application was filed on September 3, 1999.

WHEREAS, RETCO INTERNATIONAL, a corporation organized under and by virtue of

the laws of the State of Nevada, and having an office at Carson City, Nevada 89701, is desirous of

obtaining the entire right, title and interest in and to the said application and the invention therein

described and claimed and any Letters Patent that may be issued upon said application or for the

improvements therein contained.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1) and other valuable consideration,

I, THOMAS POTTER, have sold, assigned and transferred and do hereby sell, assign and transfer

unto the said RETCO INTERNATIONAL, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and

interest in and to the said application and the invention therein contained, including the right to apply

for any Letters Patent in the United States of America and in all foreign countries on said invention

and to claim for such foreign applications the priority date of the United States application under the

International Convention of 1883 and later modifications thereof, and any Letters Patent that may

be issued thereon or therefor, in the United States and foreign countries, and all reissues, extensions,

renewals, divisions and continuations thereof, to the full end of the term or terms for which said

Letters Patent may be issued, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said RETCO

INTERNATIONAL, its successors and assigns, the same as it would have been held and enjoyed

by me if this assignment and sale had not been made.

PATENT

REEL: 010283 FRAME: 0506

AND I HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to

issue all such Letters Patent to the said RETCO INTERNATIONAL in accordance with this

instrument of Assignment.

I FURTHER covenant and agree, in consideration of the premises, that I or my executors

and administrators, will execute and deliver to the said RETCO INTERNATIONAL, its successors

and assigns, any further documents or instruments, and do any and all further acts that may be

deemed necessary by the said RETCO INTERNATIONAL, its successors and assigns, to file

applications for the said improvements and invention in any country where it may elect to file such

applications, and that may be necessary to vest in the said RETCO INTERNATIONAL, its

successors and assigns, the title herein conveyed or intended so to be, and to enable such title to be

recorded in the United States and foreign countries where such application or applications may be

filed.

AND I FURTHER covenant and agree, in consideration of the premises, that I or my

executors and administrators, will at any time upon request communicate to the said RETCO

INTERNATIONAL, its successors and assigns, any facts relating to the said invention and

improvements and the history thereof, known to me or to my executors and administrators, and that

I will testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested so to do by the said

RETCO INTERNATIONAL, it being understood that RETCO INTERNATIONAL will compensate

me for my expenses reasonably incurred in complying with its requests.

2

PATENT REEL: 010283 FRAME: 0507 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ______day of THOMAS POTTER

STATE OF California

On this 7th of September 1999 before me personally appeared THOMAS POTTER to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he thereupon acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes therein set forth.

Notary Public

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

RECORDED: 10/04/1999

(SEAL)



3