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5,802,740

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**ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT**

PERSONAL REP. (P.R.)

WHEREAS, Pamela C. Merk, ~~Executor~~ of the Estate of Eric E. Merk, Sr., deceased (hereinafter "ASSIGNOR"), is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in United States Patent No. 5,802,740;

WHEREAS, Danner Shoe Manufacturing Co. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Oregon, having offices at 12722 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR 97230, wishes to acquire the interest in United States Patent No. 5,802,740;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which by ASSIGNOR from ASSIGNEE is hereby acknowledged, said ASSIGNOR, by these presents, does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and/or assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to United States Patent No. 5,802,740, and to all claims for past infringement of said Patent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the ASSIGNOR has executed this Assignment to be effective as of the 14<sup>th</sup> day of OCTOBER, 1999.

The Estate of Eric E. Merk, Sr.

By: Pamela Claire Merk  
Name: EXECUTOR PERSONAL REP.

STATE OF OREGON )  
                                  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF Wash. )

(P.R.) Personal Rep. Before me personally appeared Pamela C. Merk, to me known to be the ~~Executor~~ of the Estate of Eric E. Merk, Sr., who signed the foregoing instrument in my presence, on behalf of said estate with authority to do so, and made oath before me to the allegations set forth therein as being under oath this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1999.

Martha J. Ling  
Notary Public  
Washington County, Oregon

My commission: 6/16/2002

