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1. Name of conveying party(ies): Thomas Ulrich Swidler and Bruce Alan Fairman

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2. Name and Address of Receiving party(ies): SONY CORPORATION OF JAPAN, 7-35 Kitashingawa 6-Chome, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, Japan

SONY ELECTRONICS, INC., 1 Sony Drive, Park Ridge, New Jersey, 07656

3. Nature of Conveyance: Assignment

Execution Date: 12/07/99; 12/07/99

4. New Patent Application entitled: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR LOCATING DIGITAL CONTENTS IN A RECORDED DIGITAL FILE WITHOUT KNOWING ITS ENCODING FORMAT

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

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6. Total Number of applications and patents involved: ONE

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Date: 12/08/99

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Assignment To SONY Corporation and SONY Electronics, Inc.

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Thomas Ulrich Swidler and Bruce Alan Fairman

do hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto SONY Corporation and SONY Electronics, Inc. (hereinafter called the Assignees), a Corporation of Delaware and its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements, including the right of priority in, to, and under, the application for the United States patent entitled:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR LOCATING DIGITAL CONTENTS IN A RECORDED DIGITAL FILE WITHOUT KNOWING ITS ENCODING FORMAT

X filed herewith and the inventions set forth and described therein, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of countries foreign thereto which may be granted thereon or therefor; or


Serial No.: _____ filed on _____ and the inventions set forth and described therein, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of countries foreign thereto which may be granted thereon or therefor;

And for the above consideration, I/we agree promptly upon request of the Assignees, their successors or assigns, to execute and deliver without further compensation any power of attorney, assignment, application, whether original, continuation, divisional or reissue, or other papers which may be necessary or desirable fully to secure to the Assignees, their successors and assigns, the inventions described in said application and all patent rights therein, in the United States and in any country foreign thereto, and to cooperate and assist in the prosecution of interference proceedings involving said inventions and in the adjudication or reexamination of said Letters Patent provided the expenses which may be incurred by me/us in lending such cooperation and assistance are paid by the Assignees.

I/we further covenant with the Assignees, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license, or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned;

In witness whereof, I/we hereunto set my/our hand(s) and seal:

Inventor's Signature:  Date: 12/07/1999

Inventor's Signature:  Date: 7 DEC 1999