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J. D'Addario & Company, Inc. Name: Street Address: 595 Smith Street, P.O. Box 290 City, State, ZIP: Farmingdale, NY II735 Country: USA

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Robert O. Miller and James D'Addario, respectively residing at 710 Bermuda Road, W. Babylon, New York 11704 and 5 Woodland Road, Old Westbury, New York 11568, have invented new and useful improvements in

## HAND DRUM HOOP

for which we are making application for Letters Patent of the United States, which application was executed by us on the  $\underline{4}$  day of  $\underline{\int_{anwar} y}$ , 2900; and

WHEREAS, J. D'Addario & Company, Inc., a New York corporation, having a place of business at 595 Smith Street, Farmingdale, New York 11735, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements and any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One (1) Dollar to us in hand paid and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said Robert O. Miller and James D'Addario, sell, assign and transfer to J. D'Addario & Company, Inc., its successors and assigns (hereinafter called "Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements and in and to any Letters Patent which may be obtained thereon in the United States and in all countries foreign thereto, together with said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and other applications for Letters Patent which have been or may be filed on said improvements in the United States or any other country; the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee for its and their sole use and behoof; and we do hereby further assign to the Assignee the right to file applications for patent in all countries on said improvements and all rights of priority resulting from any application for Letters Patent filed on said improvements.

We hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all Letters Patent of the United States on said improvements to the Assignee.

We further covenant and agree that when requested by the Assignee, and without further consideration, but at the cost and expense of the Assignee, we will, for any and all countries, execute and deliver all applications for patent on said improvements, execute all lawful oaths and other papers, supply to the Assignee all facts and evidence known to us relating to said improvements and the history and development thereof, testify in all interferences, suits, and other legal proceedings, and

EL173476133US PATENT REEL: 010527 FRAME: 0284 generally do everything rightful which the Assignee shall consider desirable for aiding in securing, maintaining, and enforcing proper patent protection for said improvements and for vesting the title to said improvements in the Assignee.

We further covenant that we have the lawful right to assign the interest in said improvements in the manner and form as herein expressed and that the interests herein conveyed are free from prior assignment, grant, mortgage, license, or other encumbrance whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal as of and for this day of  $\underline{January}$ ,  $\underline{Panv}$ .

Robert D. Mill

Robert O. Miller

State of New York ) ) ss: County of SUFFOIK )

On this 474 day of 5600, 7200 before me personally appeared Robert O. Miller, who acknowledged that he signed the within instrument and that he executed the same as his own free act and deed.

Kathless Stere Notary Public

Date Commission Expires:



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal as of and for this day of  $\int A^{n} + A^{n} + \frac{199}{2000}$ .

James D'Addario

State of New York) ) ss: County of SU(fo/K)

On this  $\underline{\underline{\mu}}^{\underline{\mu}}$  day of  $\underline{\underline{\mu}}^{\underline{\mu}}$ ,  $\underline{\underline{\mu}}^{\underline{\mu}}$ , before me personally appeared James D'Addario, who acknowledged that he signed the within instrument and that he executed the same as his own free act and deed.

Kathleen Veral Notary Public

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