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ASSIGNMENT BY INVENTORS

THIS ASSIGNMENT, by	Masajiro IWASAKI	?
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	, and	
	, respect	tively;

WHEREAS, Assignors have invented certain new and useful improvements in IMAGE-FEATURE EXTRACTION METHOD AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORD MEDIUM WITH A PROGRAM FOR MAKING A COMPUTER EXECUTE STEPS OF THE METHOD RECORDED THEREIN

set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, executed concurrently herewith; and

WHEREAS, Ricoh Company, Ltd. ("Assignee"), a Japanese company having a place of business at 3-6, Nakamagome 1-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo 143–8555, Japan, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said Application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained therefor and thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned inventions and application for Letters Patent, and in and to any and all direct and indirect divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application, and any and all Letters Patent in the United States and all foreign countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and reissues, reexaminations and extensions of said Letters Patent, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of

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Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee, for its own use and benefit and the use and benefit of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Letters Patent may be granted and/or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors, had this sale and assignment not been made.

AND for the same consideration, Assignors hereby represent and warrant to Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that, at the time of execution and delivery of these presents, except for any rights, titles and/or interests that have arisen to Assignee under law or that have already been transferred to Assignee, Assignors are the sole and lawful owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the said inventions and application for Letters Patent above-mentioned, and that the same are unencumbered and that Assignors have good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth.

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AND Assignors hereby request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States to Assignee, as Assignee of said inventions and

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the Letters Patent to be issued thereon, for the sole use and benefit of Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

AND Assignors hereby grant the following individuals the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document: Gary M. Hoffman, 26,411, Thomas J. D'Amico, 28,371, Donald A. Gregory, 28,954, James W. Brady, Jr., 32,115, Jon D. Grossman, 32,699, and Mark J. Thronson, 33,082, all of Dickstein Shapiro Morin & Oshinsky LLP, Washington, D.C.

AND Assignors acknowledge an obligation of assignment of this invention to Assignee at the time the invention was made.

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