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(2) Anni R. Coden
County of New York

of Bronx
and State of New York

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(3) John M. Prager
County of Rockland

of Pomona
and State of New York

INVENTOR
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(4) Dragomir R. Radev
County of Washtenaw

of Ann Arbor
and State of Michigan

TITLE

have invented certain improvements in
SYSTEM, METHOD AND PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR ANSWERING QUESTIONS
USING A SEARCH ENGINE

and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on

DATES THAT
INVENTORS
SIGNED THE
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(1) Jan. 31, 2000, (2) Jan. 31, 2000,
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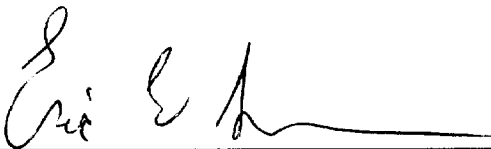
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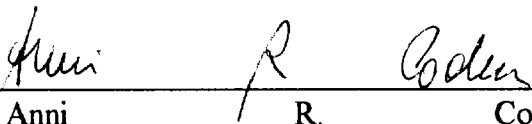
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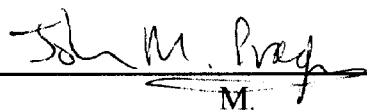
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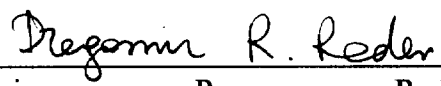
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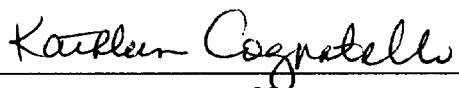
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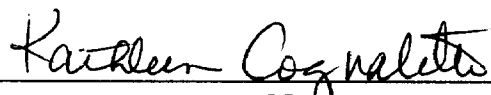

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