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1. G. A. John Coleman

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ADDITIONAL NAME(S) OF CONVEYING PARTY(IES) ATTACHED? ☐ YES ☒ NO

2. PARTY(IES) (ASSIGNEE(S)) RECEIVING INTEREST:

NAME: Universal Leaf Tobacco Company, Inc.

ADDRESS: Richmond, VA

ADDITIONAL NAME(S) & ADDRESS(ES) ATTACHED? ☐ YES ☒ NO

3. NATURE OF CONVEYANCE (DOCUMENT):

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☐ CHANGE OF NAME ☐ VERIFIED TRANSLATION  
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EXEC. DATE: March 22, 2000

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4.5 APPL. NO.(S) OR PAT NO.(S). OTHERS ON ADDITIONAL SHEET(S) attached? ☐ YES ☒ NO

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Signature

Attorney: Raymond F. Lippitt  
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**ASSIGNMENT**  
**of U.S. Origin Patent Application**

WHEREAS, the undersigned, to wit:

1) <u>G. A. John Coleman</u>	2) _____
3) _____	4) _____
5) _____	6) _____
7) _____	8) _____

(hereinafter collectively ASSIGNOR), has/have made an invention known as Dkt. 70386/266703

and entitled: APPARATUS FOR REMOVING MATTER FROM TOBACCO STEMS

for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States

☐ was executed even date herewith and is about to be filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office;

☒ was filed on March 9, 2000, Appln. No. / ;

AND WHEREAS Universal Leaf Tobacco Company, Inc.

(hereinafter ASSIGNEE), duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Virginia

and having its principal office and place of business at Richmond, Virginia

desires to acquire an interest therein;

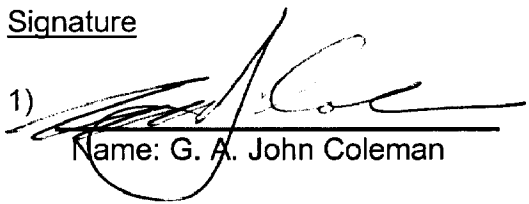
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the said ASSIGNOR, does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right, title and interest to the said invention in the United States and all foreign countries, as described in the aforesaid application, and to the said application and to all continuations, divisions, reissues and substitutes of said application, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, Inter-American Convention Relating to Patents, Designs and Industrial Models, and any other international agreements to which the United States of America adheres, and ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE, for its interest as ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives.

AND ASSIGNOR hereby agrees to execute any papers requested by ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, deemed essential to ASSIGNEE's full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred.

ASSIGNOR furthermore agrees upon request of said ASSIGNEE, and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by said ASSIGNEE for the filing and granting of foreign applications and the perfecting of title thereto in said ASSIGNEE.

NOTE: The undersigned hereby authorizes Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP of the above address to insert hereon any further identification necessary or desirable for recordation of this document.

Executed on the date(s) below indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Date Signed</u>	<u>Witness</u>
1)  Name: G. A. John Coleman	<u>3-22-00</u>	
2) _____ Name: _____	_____	_____
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