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A S S I G N M E N T

In consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assign to National Manufacutring Co. (hereinafter referred to as "assignee"), a corporation of Illinois having a principal place of business at P.O. Box 577, Sterling, Illinois 61081-0577 its successors and assigns the entire right, title, and interest in the invention or improvements in a TRELLIS and in the application for Letters Patent of the United States therefor, executed by the undersigned on July 7, 2000, and in any reissue, extension, division or continuation of any Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application or applications.

The undersigned hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to said assignee.

For said considerations the undersigned hereby agree, upon the request of said assignee, its successors and assignees to execute any and all divisional and renewal applications for said invention or improvements, and any necessary oath or supplemental oath or affidavit relating thereto, and any application for the reissue or extension of any Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application that said assignee, its successors or assigns may deem necessary or expedient, and for the said considerations the undersigned further agree upon the request of said assignee, its successors or assigns, in the event of said application or any division thereof, or Letters Patent issued thereon, or any reissue or application for the reissue thereof, becoming involved in Interference, to cooperate fully with said assignee, its successors or assigns in the matters of preparing and executing the preliminary statement and giving and producing evidence in support thereof and hereby agree to perform, upon which request, any and all affirmative acts to obtain said Letters Patent and vest all rights therein hereby conveyed in the said assignee, its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned if this assignment and sale had not been made, and for the said considerations the undersigned hereby also assign to said assignee, its successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest in said invention or improvements for any and all foreign countries and agree upon the request of said assignee, its successors and assigns to execute any and all documents that shall be required of it to be executed in connection with any and all applications for foreign Letters Patent therefor, including the prosecution thereof, and to execute any and all documents necessary to invest title in said foreign application and patents in said assignee.

The foregoing Assignment shall be deemed fully executed and shall become effective this 7 day of 7, 2000.

  
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Dominic H. Jones (SEAL)