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| c) | Bruce P. Kiene | i) | Pascal R. Yammine |
| d) | Gregory P. Chestnut | | |
| e) | John F. Durocher | | |
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2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

- a) Name: Andersen Consulting, LLP
Address: 1661 Page Mill Road
Palo Alto, California 94306

3. Nature of conveyance



Assignment



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Execution Date: 1/18/2000; 1/22/2000; 1/12/2000; 2/4/2000; 1/24/2000; 1/13/2000;
2/28/2000, 1/12/2000, 1/24/2000

4. Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s): 09/449,421

The title of the application is:

**SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR PROVIDING AN INTERFACE FOR
ACCESSING DATA IN A DISCUSSION DATABASE**

5. Please send all correspondence concerning this (these) documents to:

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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PATENT
REEL: 011015 FRAME: 0446



ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

(Not Accompanying Application)

Whereas I/we the undersigned inventor(s) have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

A SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR PROVIDING AN INTERFACE FOR ACCESSING DATA IN A DISCUSSION DATABASE

for which I (we) have executed an application for a United States Letters Patent which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 23, 1999, and which bears the Application No. 09/449,421.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I/we the undersigned inventor(s) hereby:

- 1) Sell(s), assign(s) and transfer(s) to Andersen Consulting, LLP., a Delaware corporation having a place of business at 1661 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, California 94304, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), the entire right title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, application(s) based upon, and Patent(s) (including foreign patents) granted upon the information which is disclosed in the above referenced application.
- 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division(s), continuation(s), substitutes(s) or reissue(s) thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative and applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor(s), as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 5) Warrant and represent that I/we have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.

Signed on the date(s) indicated beside my (our) signature(s).

1) Signature: *James S. Marpe*
Typed Name: James S. Marpe

Date: 18 January 2000

County of Queens ,)
) ss.
State of New York .)

On this 18th day of January, in the year 2000, before me, Milagros C. Ortiz, personally appeared James S. Marpe, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature *Milagros C. Ortiz*)

Milagros C. Ortiz (SEAL)
Notary Public State of New York
No. 010R5079949
Qualified in Queens County
My Commission Expires June 9, 2001

2) Signature: _____
Typed Name: David W. Coyle

Date: _____

County of _____ ,)
) ss.
State of _____ .)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared David W. Coyle, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

Signed on the date(s) indicated beside my (our) signature(s).

1) Signature: _____ Date: _____
Typed Name: James S. Marpe

County of _____ ,)
) ss.
State of _____ .)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared James S. Marpe, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

2) Signature: _____ Date: 1/22/00
Typed Name: David W. Coyle

County of FULTON ,)
) ss.
State of GEORGIA .)

On this 22 day of January, in the year 2000, before me, SHARL A. KING, personally appeared David W. Coyle, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature Sharl A. King)

Notary Public, Fulton County, Georgia
My Commission Expires March 9, 2003

3) Signature: Bruce P. Kiene
Typed Name: Bruce P. Kiene

Date: 1/12/00

County of Maricopa ,.)
) ss.
State of Arizona .)

On this 12th day of January, in the year 2000, before me, Jennifer Davis, personally appeared Bruce P. Kiene, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature Jennifer Davis

5/15/00

4) Signature: _____
Typed Name: Gregory P. Chestnut

Date: _____

County of _____ ,.)
) ss.
State of _____ .)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared Gregory P. Chestnut, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

3) Signature: _____ Date: _____
Typed Name: Bruce P. Kiene

County of _____,)
) ss.
State of _____.)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared Bruce P. Kiene, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

4) Signature: Gregory P. Chestnut Date: 2/4/00
Typed Name: Gregory P. Chestnut

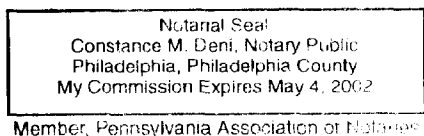
County of Philadelphia,)
) ss.
State of Pa..)

On this 4 day of February, in the year 2000, before me, _____, personally appeared Gregory P. Chestnut, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature Constance M. Deni



5) Signature: John F. Durocher
Typed Name: John F. Durocher

Date: 1/24/00

County of Suffolk ,)
) ss.
State of Massachusetts .)

On this 24 day of January, in the year 2000, before me, _____, personally appeared John F. Durocher, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature Quinn A. Magallon

6) Signature: _____
Typed Name: Scott R. Adler

Date: _____

County of _____ ,)
) ss.
State of _____ .)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared Scott R. Adler, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

5) Signature: _____ Date: _____
Typed Name: John F. Durocher

County of _____,)
) ss.
State of _____,)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared John F. Durocher, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

6) Signature: Scott R. Adler Date: 1/24/00
Typed Name: Scott R. Adler

County of Suffolk,)
) ss.
State of Massachusetts,)

On this 24th day of January, in the year 2000, before me, Jennifer Carpenter, personally appeared Scott R. Adler, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

My Commission Expires December 25, 2003

7) Signature: Laura L. Farner
Typed Name: Laura L. Farner

Date: 01-13-00

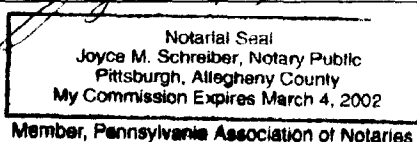
County of Allegheny)
) ss.
State of Pennsylvania)

On this 13th day of January, in the year 2000, before me, Joyce M. Schreiber, personally appeared Laura L. Farner, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature Joyce M. Schreiber



8) Signature: _____
Typed Name: Colin K. Dangel

Date: _____

County of _____)
) ss.
State of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared Colin K. Dangel, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

7) Signature: _____ Date: _____
Typed Name: Laura L. Farner

County of _____ ,)
) ss.
State of _____ .)

On this _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, _____, personally appeared Laura L. Farner, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature _____)

8) Signature: _____ Date: 02/28/02
Typed Name: Colin K. Dangel

County of Norfolk ,)
) ss.
State of Nut .)

On this 28 day of February, in the year 2000, before me, Allen Quinn, personally appeared Colin K. Dangel, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature V. Allen Quinn)

My comm exp 4/1/2004

9) Signature: _____
Typed Name: (Pascal R. Yammine)

Date: 1/12/00

County of Cook)
State of Illinois) ss.

On this 12th day of January, in the year 2000, before me, _____, personally appeared Pascal r. Yammine, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Signature Cindy A. Highley

