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Glade H. Howell

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ASSIGNMENT

Serial No.

P-4994

Filed:

WHEREAS, Glade H. Howell

(hereinafter called "Assignor"), has made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to:

ADAPTER FOR CONNECTING AN INTRODUCER NEEDLE ASSEMBLY TO A CATHETER INTRODUCER

for which he has executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America on even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Becton Dickinson and Company, a corporation of the State of New Jersey, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the premises and in acknowledgment, confirmation and performance of obligations which arose out of the terms and conditions of Assignor's employment by Assignee at the time the invention was made, and/or other valuable considerations to him, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor has assigned and transferred, and does hereby assign and transfer unto said Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application identified above, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

And Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignor covenants and agrees with said Assignee that he has a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title he warrants unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignor further covenants and agrees that he will, whenever requested, but without cost to him, promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to him relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 3 day of August, 2000.

Glade H Howell

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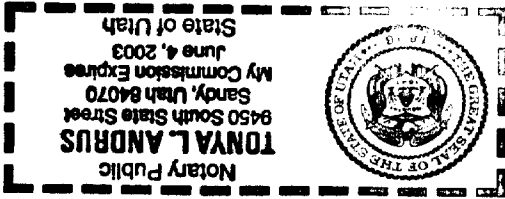
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COUNTY OF SALT LAKE

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 23 day of August 2000, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared GLADE H. HOWELL who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Tonya L Andrus
Notary Public



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