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and John W. Koenig**

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City: **Wilmington**

State: **DE**

ZIP: **19801**

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## ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned,

Name(s)  
of Inventor(s) Kenneth L. Kramer, John P. Biondo,  
William L. Jacques, II, Michael Cerimele,  
John Sagel, Ken Meyer, Gregory W. Branson and,  
John W. Koenig,

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maker(s) of an invention which is the subject of a ☒ United States Provisional Patent Application  
identified by Serial No. 60/133,751 and filing date 5/12/99, and/or  
☒ PCT International Application, entitled

Title of  
Application WALKER APPARATUS  
hereinafter (the "Application(s)")

the undersigned hereby sell(s), assign(s), and set(s) over to

Name of  
Assignee Hill-Rom Services, Inc.

Address of  
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Wilmington, DE 19801

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Inventor (Signature)

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Inventor (Printed Name)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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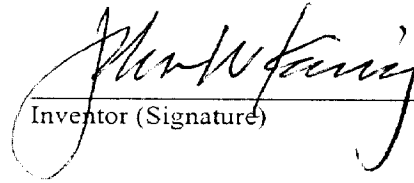
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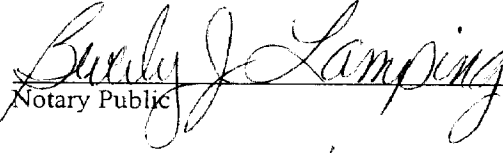
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