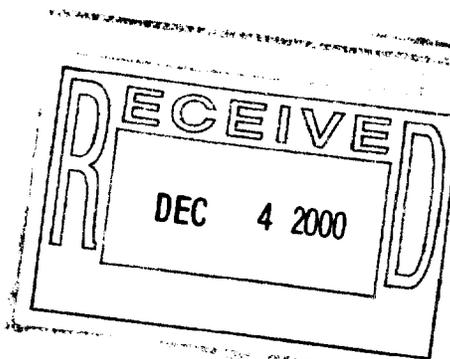


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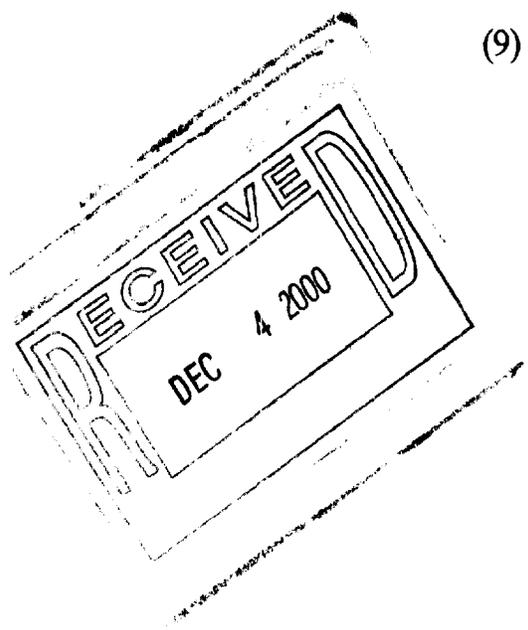
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WHEREAS, I, Kenneth J. Onion, of Kapolei, county of Honolulu, state of Hawaii, have invented certain improvements in a AN OPENING AND CLOSING ASSISTING MECHANISM FOR A FOLDING KNIFE, for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on August 25, 2000, and which was given U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/648,513.

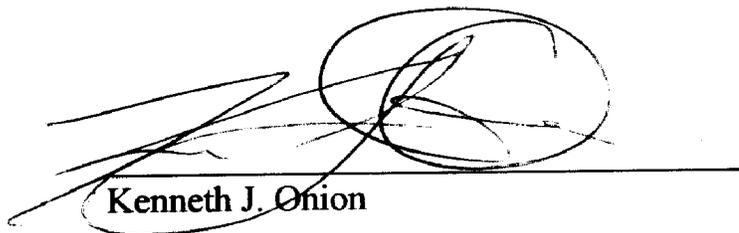
WHEREAS, Kai U.S.A., Ltd., doing business as Kershaw Knives, an Oregon corporation, having its principal place of business in Wilsonville, county of Clackamas, and state of Oregon, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, I, the said Kenneth J. Onion have sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto the said Kai U.S.A., Ltd., the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof.

I hereby authorize and request the Patent Office officials in the United States and any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to the said Kai U.S.A. Ltd., as the assignee of my entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use of the said Kai U.S.A., Ltd., its successors and assigns.

Further, I agree that I will communicate to the said Kai U.S.A., Ltd., or its representatives any facts known to me respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all of said Letters Patent to be issued to the said Kai U.S.A., Ltd., make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Kai U.S.A., Ltd., its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 10 day of NOVEMBER, 2000.


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