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| "IMPROVED SOLENOID VALVE FOR REGULATING THE FUEL SUPPLY PRESSURE OF AN INTERNAL |
| Title COMBUSTION ENGINE" |
| For one dollar Mr. Werner BANZHAF, a German subject the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assign(s) to: ELASIS SISTEMA RICERCA FIAT NEL MEZZOGIORNO Società Consortile per Azioni |
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| The undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the attorneys of record in said application to insert in this assignment the date and serial number of said application when officially known. |
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