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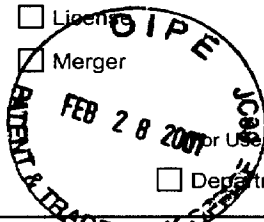
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Mark A. Malamud, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR), having post office address of 1508 9th Avenue W., Seattle, WA 98119, am a joint inventor of an invention entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR EFFICIENTLY CREATING A NEW FILE ASSOCIATED WITH AN APPLICATION PROGRAM," as described and claimed in United States Letters Patent No. 5,764,983, issued on June 9, 1998.

WHEREAS, Microsoft Corporation (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, WA 98052, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said letters patent granted in the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said letters patent granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations, and continuation-in-part thereof, and to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNOR agrees to execute all instruments and documents required for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said letters patent therefor.

Date 10-2-00 Inventor:  Mark A. Malamud

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
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COUNTY OF KING)

On this _____ day of _____, 1999, before me a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared _____ to me known and known to me to be the persons of those names, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

(SEAL) _____
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Royce A. Levien, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR), having post office address of 43 Somerset Road, Lexington, MA 02420-3519, am a joint inventor of an invention entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR EFFICIENTLY CREATING A NEW FILE ASSOCIATED WITH AN APPLICATION PROGRAM," as described and claimed in United States Letters Patent No. 5,764,983, issued on June 9, 1998.

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Date 13 Nov 2000 Inventor:  Royce A. Levien

STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS)
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On this 13 day of November, 2000, 1999, before me a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Royce Adam Levien to me known and known to me to be the persons of those names, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

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Notary Public Harley H. Anderson

My Commission Expires: 8-16-2007