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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Niles F. Maurer of #2 Wildwood Springs Drive, Steelville, Missouri 65565, have invented certain new and useful improvements for A SHOE SOLE HAVING A THERMOPLASTIC LAYER AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME for which I have this same day executed an application for Letters Patent in the United States Identifying me as the sole inventor thereof (said application being identified as Howell & Haferkamp, L.C., Docket 16474-7179); and

WHEREAS, Meramec Group, Inc., a corporation of the State of Missouri having its principal office and place of business at 338 Ramsey Street, Sullivan, Missouri 63080, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and improvements as disclosed in said application, in and to said application, and in and to the patent to be obtained thereon.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1,00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of all of which are hereby acknowledged. It Niles F. Maurer, have sold, assigned and transferred and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Meramec Group, Inc., its successors or assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and improvements as the same are disclosed in said application which was executed by me concurrently herewith preparatory to filing for Letters Patent, in and to said application, and in and to any Letters Patent, including divisionals, continuations, reissues, reexaminations and extensions to be obtained therefor in the United States and all foreign countries; and I further agree to cooperate with the assignee hereunder in the obtaining and sustaining of any and all such Letters Patent as the assignee may desire to apply for, but at the expense of said assignee.

The Commissioner of Patents or other proper official is hereby authorized and requested to issue said Letters Patent to said Meramec Group, Inc. in accordance with this Assignment.

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