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## ASSIGNMENT

Whereas we, the undersigned,

**Michael Ganser**, a citizen of Germany, residing at Wacholderbusch 13, 35398, Giessen, Germany, and

**Albrecht Weiss**, a citizen of Germany, residing at Schillerstrasse 18, 35440 Linden, Germany,

hereby have made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America entitled

### **Method and Apparatus for Measuring Thickness of Transparent Films**

identified as Attorney Docket No. **102847-31**, and filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as **Serial No. 09/708,778** on **November 8, 2000**; and

Whereas, Leica MicrosystemsWetzlar GmbH, having an office and a place of business at Ernst-Leitz-Strasse 17-37, D-35578 Wetzlar, Germany, and which, together with its successors and assigns, is hereinafter called "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the title, rights, benefits and privileges hereinafter recited;

Now, therefore, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to us, receipt and sufficiency of which we hereby acknowledge, we hereby, without reservation:

1. Assign, transfer and convey to Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and discoveries, said application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, any and all other applications for Letters Patent on said inventions and discoveries in whatsoever countries, including all divisional, renewal, substitute, continuation, reissue and Convention applications based in whole or in part upon said inventions or discoveries, or upon said applications, together with the right of priority of earlier-filed **United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/164,162 filed on November 8, 1999** and any and all Letters Patent, reissues, reexaminations, and extensions of Letters Patent granted for said inventions and discoveries or upon said applications, and every priority right that is or may be predicated upon or arise from said inventions, said discoveries, said applications and said Letters Patent;

2. Authorize Assignee to file patent applications in any or all countries on any or all of said inventions and discoveries in our names or in the name of Assignee or otherwise as Assignee may deem advisable, under the International Convention or otherwise;

3. Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America and the empowered officials of all other governments to issue or transfer all

said Letters Patent to Assignee, as assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein or otherwise as Assignee may direct;

4. Warrant that we have not knowingly conveyed to others any right in said inventions, discoveries, applications or patents or any license to use the same or to make, use or sell anything embodying or utilizing any of said inventions or discoveries; and that we have good right to assign the same to Assignee without encumbrance;

5. Bind our heirs, legal representatives and assigns, as well as ourselves, to do, upon Assignee's request and at Assignee's expense, but without additional consideration to us or them, all acts reasonably serving to assure that the said inventions and discoveries, the said patent applications and the said Letters Patent shall be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and entirely as the same could have been held and enjoyed by us, our heirs, legal representatives and assigns if this assignment had not been made; and particularly to execute and deliver to Assignee all lawful application documents including petitions, specifications, and oaths, and all assignments, disclaimers, and lawful affidavits in form and substance as may be requested by Assignee; to communicate to Assignee all facts known to us relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; and to furnish Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples and other physical exhibits in our control or in the control of our heirs, legal representatives or assigns which may be useful for establishing the facts of our conceptions, disclosures, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries.

In testimony of which we have executed this Assignment as an instrument under seal on the dates indicated next to our names.

Dated: 05/17/2001

Michael Ganser  
Michael Ganser

Dated: 05/17/01

Juga Zimmermann  
Witness

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