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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Hillel N. Cooperman; residing at 625 237th Place SE, Redmond, Washington 98053; Stephen P. Proteau, residing at 15210 103rd Ave. NE, Bothell, Washington 98011-7232; Mark R. Ligameri, residing at 33386 NE 42nd Street, Carnation, Washington 98014; Austina M. De Bonte, residing at 17313 220th Pl. NE, Woodinville, Washington 98072; Kathleen B. McNamee, residing at 1317 River Road, St. Clair, Michigan 48079; and Cornelis K. Van Dok, residing at 16818 SE 2nd Pl., Bellevue, Washington 98008, are the inventors named in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING AN INSTANT MESSAGE NOTIFICATION, executed by Hillel N. Cooperman on 4-30-01, by Stephen P. Proteau on 4-30-01, by Mark R. Ligameri on 5-22-01, by Austina M. De Bonte on 4-27-01, by Kathleen B. McNamee on 4-30-01, and by Cornelis K. Van Dok on 4-27-01;

AND, WHEREAS, Microsoft Corporation, a Washington corporation, having a principal place of business at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, Washington 98052-6399 (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring our entire right and title to and interest in our invention disclosed in said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, for sufficient, good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE our entire right and title to and interest in said application and said invention, including the right to apply for international patents and patents thereon in foreign countries in our name or in the name of ASSIGNEE, said invention and all applications and patents on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE as entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this sale, assignment and transfer not been made, and we do hereby further agree and promise to execute all instruments and render all such assistance as ASSIGNEE may request in order to make and prosecute any and all applications on said invention, to enforce any and all patents on said invention, and to confirm in ASSIGNEE legal title to said invention and all applications and patents on said invention, all without charge to ASSIGNEE but at no expense to us.

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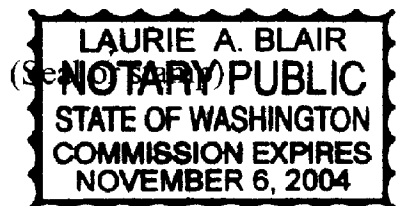


Hillel N. Cooperman

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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Hillel N. Cooperman is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: April 30, 2001



Laurie A. Blair
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Printed Name: LAURIE BLAIR
Notary Public
My appointment expires 11/06/04

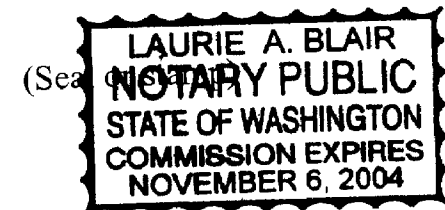
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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Stephen P. Proteau is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

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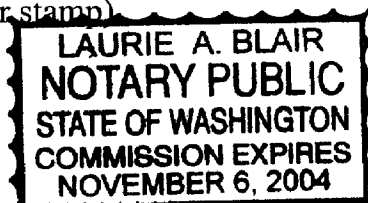
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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Austina M. De Bonte is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that she signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

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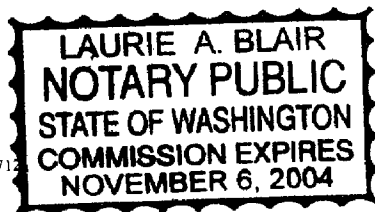
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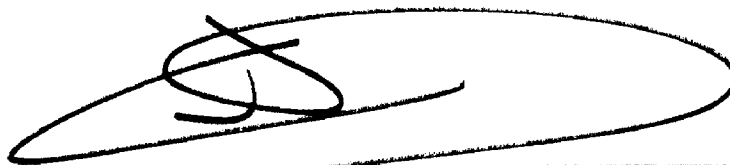
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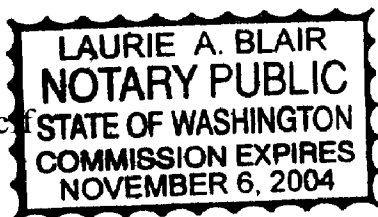
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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Cornelis K. Van Dok is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

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