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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the below named inventor Hariolf Briggl. [hereinafter referred to as Assignor], has made an invention entitled: <u>Writing Utensils and components</u>, commonly known to the parties as "Sarum" and "Evoxx," for which he has executed an application for United States Letters Patent concurrently herewith and

WHEREAS, Merz & Krell GmbH & Co., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of Germany, whose post office address is Bahnhofstrasse 76, 64401 Gross-Bieberau, Germany (hereinafter referred to as Assigner), is desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention in the United States and worldwide, and in and to the application for United States Letters Patent on this invention and the Letters Patent to be issued upon this application, and any foreign counterpart thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid and other good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from Assignee is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto the Assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, his entire right, title and interest in and to this invention and this application, and all divisions, and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues thereof, and all rights to claim priority on the basis of such application, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof; and Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent for this invention to Assignee, its successors and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

AND, ASSIGNOR HEREBY covenants that he has the full right to convey the interest assigned by this Assignment, and he has not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict with this Assignment;

AND, ASSIGNOR HEREBY further covenants and agrees that he will, without further consideration, communicate with Assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts known to him respecting this invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers when called upon to do so, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to this invention in said Assignce, its successors and assigns, execute all divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for this invention in the United States, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be borne by the Assignce, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand.

Country of <u>Germany</u>) Date: <u>AO/ 17 (2001</u>)

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