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I, Byron Lee Boylston, a Georgia resident, residing at 2941 Trickum Road, Woodstock, Georgia 30188, in consideration of One Dollar and other valuable consideration paid to me by Manning Miles Goldsmith, a Georgia, 34106 resident, residing at 5 Bluff Drive, Savannah, Georgia, 34106 ("Assignee"), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto Assignee, his/her executors and administrators, the entire interest for the United States of America and all foreign countries including all rights of priority of under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, including the right to sue for past infringement, in a certain invention or improvement in the invention entitled:

## TRANSCANAL, TRANSTYMPANIC COCHLEAR IMPLANT SYSTEM

described in an application executed by me of even date herewith and about to be filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and in all Letters Patent of the United States and all foreign countries which may or shall be granted on said invention, or any parts thereof, or on said application, or any divisional, continuing, continuation-in-part, reissue or other applications, based in whole or in part thereon. And I agree, for myself and my executors and administrators, with Assignee and his/her executors and administrators but at their expense and charges, hereafter to execute all applications, amended specifications, deeds or other instruments, and to do all acts necessary or proper to secure the grant of Letters Patent in the United States and in all other countries to Assignee, with specifications and claims in such form as shall be approved by the counsel of Assignee and to vest and confirm in Assignee and his/her executors and administrators, the legal title to all such patents. I hereby authorize and request my attorneys, Bernstein & Associates, P.C., located at 6600 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, N.E., Embassy Row 400, Suite 495, Atlanta, Georgia 30328-1649, to insert here in parentheses (application number of said application when known.

And I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents of the United States to issue such Letters Patent as shall be granted upon said application or applications based thereon to Assignee, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal on the date set forth below.

Byron Lee Boyleton

State of (5H)

County of Cherokee )ss

Then personally appeared the above named Byron Lee Boylston and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his/her free act and deed, before me, this 18 day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2002.

Notary Public My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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Notary Public, Cherokee County, Georgia My Commission Expires January 23, 2004

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