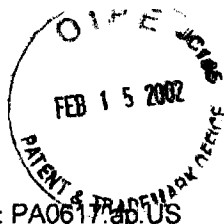


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WHEREAS, We/I, John G. Breeding, residing at 130 Spirit Trail, Sedona, Arizona 86336-3645; Attila Grauzer, residing at 333 East Eldorado Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada 89123; Paul K. Scheper, residing at 8246 Drexel Court, Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55347; James B. Stasson, residing at 2461 Bridle Creek Tail, Chanhassen, Minnesota 55317; and Nick W. Kukuczka, residing at 14838 289th Avenue, Zimmerman, Minnesota 55398, made certain new and useful inventions and improvements; and whereas We/I have filed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America based thereon entitled: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY CUTTING AND SHUFFLING PLAYING CARDS** and having been assigned Serial No. **09/991,207**, filed on **November 16, 2001**. We/I hereby authorize the Assignee to insert the serial number and filing date into this instrument once the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has assigned this information to the application.


AND WHEREAS, Shuffle Master, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having an office and place of business at 1106 Palms Airport Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119-3730 (hereinafter "Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions, improvements and application and in and to the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee, its successors or assigns, the entire right, title and interest for all countries in and to all inventions and improvements disclosed in the aforesaid application, and in and to the said application, all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, or renewals thereof, all Letters Patent which may be granted therefrom, and all reissues or extensions of such patents, and in and to any and all applications which have been or shall be filed in any foreign countries for Letters Patent on the said inventions and improvements, including an assignment of all rights under the provisions of the International Convention, and all Letters Patent of foreign countries which may be granted therefrom; and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all United States Letters Patent for the aforesaid inventions and improvements to the said Assignee as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the use of the said Assignee, its successors and assigns.

AND, for the consideration aforesaid, we do hereby agree that we and our executors and legal representatives will make, execute and deliver any and all other instruments in writing including any and all further application papers, affidavits, assignments and other documents, and will communicate to said Assignee, its successors and representatives all facts known to us relating to said improvements and the history thereof and will testify in all legal proceedings and generally do all things which may be necessary or desirable more effectually to secure to and vest in said Assignee, its successors or assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to the said improvements, inventions, applications, Letters Patent, rights, titles, benefits, privileges and advantages hereby sold, assigned and conveyed, or intended so to be.

AND, furthermore we covenant and agree with said Assignee, its successors and assigns, that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by me/us and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by us.


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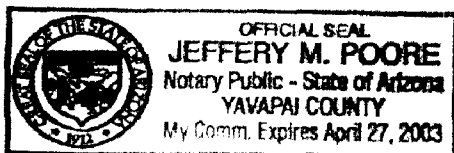

John G. Breeding

STATE OF Arizona)
)ss.
COUNTY OF Yavapai)

On this 10 day of December, 2001 before me personally appeared **John G. Breeding**, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth

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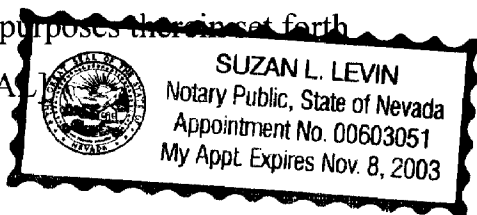
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Attila Grauzer
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STATE OF Nevada)
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On this 12th day of December, 2001 before me personally appeared Attila Grauzer, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth

[SEAL]



Suzan L. Levin
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 12th day of DECEMBER, 2001.

Paul K. Scheper
Paul K. Scheper

STATE OF Minnesota)
COUNTY OF Hennepin)ss.

On this 12th day of December, 2001 before me personally appeared Paul K. Scheper, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth

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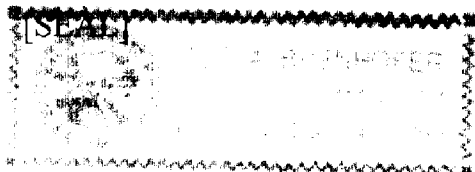
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James B. Stasson
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STATE OF Minnesota)
COUNTY OF Hennepin) ss.

On this 14th day of December, 2001 before me personally appeared **James B. Stasson**, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth



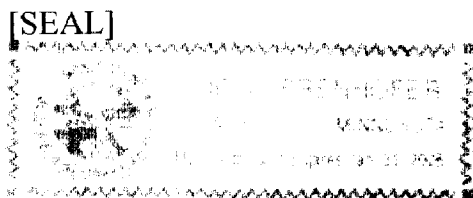
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of December, 2001.

Nick W. Kukuczka
Nick W. Kukuczka

STATE OF Minnesota)
COUNTY OF Hennepin) ss.

On this 20th day of December, 2001 before me personally appeared **Nick W. Kukuczka**, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth



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