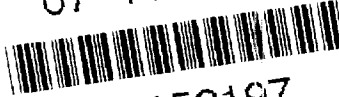




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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, David Lee Evans, Greg Marik, Robert Brosnahan, Christopher Patrick Carson and Albert J. Pothier, are joint inventors of "MOBILE BEARING KNEE PROSTHESIS", application for U.S. Letters Patent filed herewith;

WHEREAS, SMITH & NEPHEW, INC., a corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention throughout the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States and all other countries throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid by SMITH & NEPHEW, INC. and for other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to SMITH & NEPHEW, INC., all right, title and interest in and to the said invention throughout the world, and said application for U.S. Letters Patent, and any and all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, and reissues thereof, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be granted therefor, the same to be held and enjoyed by SMITH & NEPHEW, INC. for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives, to the end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent of the United States or foreign countries are or may be granted or reissued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

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And we further hereby covenant and agree that we will, at any time, upon request, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title of said invention and to such Letters Patent as may be granted therefor, to SMITH & NEPHEW, INC., its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives and that if SMITH & NEPHEW, INC., its successors, assigns or other legal representatives shall desire to file any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part applications or to secure a reissue of such Letters Patent, or to file a disclaimer relating thereto, will upon request, sign all papers, make all rightful oaths and do all lawful acts requisite for the filing of such divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application, or such application for reissue and the procuring thereof, and for the filing of such disclaimer, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

And we do further covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon request, communicate to SMITH & NEPHEW, INC., its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, such facts relating to said invention and Letters Patent or the file history thereof as may be known to us, and testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested so to do, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

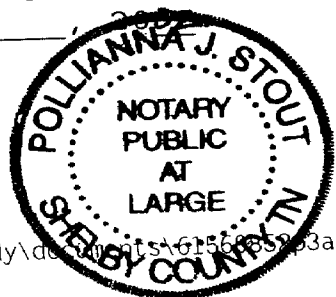
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David Lee Evans
David Lee Evans

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SHELBY

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared David Lee Evans, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 9th day of May



Pollianna J. Stout
Notary Public in and for
The State of Tennessee
My commission expires _____

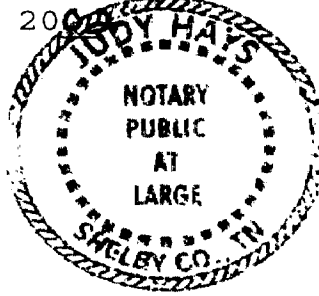
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[Signature]
Robert Brosnahan

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SHELBY

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Robert Brosnahan, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 6 day of May, 2002.



Judy Hays
Notary Public in and for
The State of Tennessee
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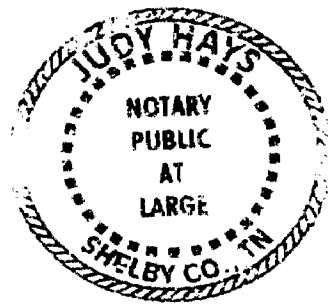
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Chris Carson
Christopher Patrick Carson

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SHELBY

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Christopher Patrick Carson, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 2 day of May, 2002.



Judy Hays
Notary Public in and for
The State of Tennessee
My commission expires 1-31-04

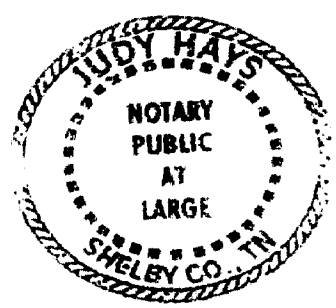
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Albert J. Pothier
Albert J. Pothier

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SHELBY

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Albert J. Pothier, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 14 day of May, 2002.



Judy Hays
Notary Public in and for
The State of Tennessee
My commission expires 1-31-2004

EXECUTED THIS _____ day of _____, 20____.

Greg Marik
GREG MARIK

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SHELBY

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared GREG MARIK, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purpose and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 10th day of June, 2002.

Marilyn R. McWay
Notary Public in and for
The State of Tennessee
My Commission expires 3/5/06