



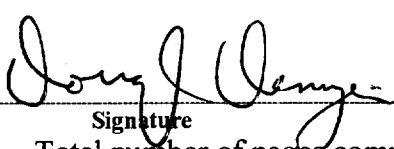
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ASSIGNOR: Gary M. Couture
Lap P. Nguyen
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 (c) [x] U.S. application serial no. 10/116,944 filed on April 5,
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 assigned)
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 above application or any continuation, division, renewal,
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ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment;

ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all such Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE:

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ASSIGNOR hereby grants ASSIGNEE and Assignee's attorneys the power to insert the Serial No. and/or filing date of the above-described application(s) after such information becomes known to them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set hand and seal.

Gary M. Couture
Gary M. Couture

Dated: June 11, 2002

State of Colorado)
County of Boulder) SS

Before me this 11 day of June 2002, appeared Gary M. Couture to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Mary Jo Milasich

Notary Public
My Commission Expires 2-14-2003

AFFIX SEAL

Lap P. Nguyen
Lap P. Nguyen

Dated: 5/31/02

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County of Boulder) SS

Before me this 31 day of May 2002, appeared Lap P. Nguyen to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Mary Jo Milasich

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Kristin D. Johnson
Kristin D. Johnson

Dated: 5/30/02

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Before me this 30 day of May, 2002, appeared Kristin D. Johnson to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Mary J. Melasch
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AFFIX SEAL.

Michael Moses
Michael Moses

Dated: 6/10/02

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County of Boulder) SS

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