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4) Keiko SHIRAISHI, and 5) Takuya SAIITO

all of:
c/o Ricoh Company, Ltd., 3-6, Nakamagome 1-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo, Japan

have invented certain new and useful improvements in: TONER FOR DEVELOPING ELECTROSTATIC LATENT IMAGE, TONER CARTRIDGE, IMAGE FORMING METHOD, PROCESS CARTRIDGE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on November 6, 2002

(Application No. 10/251,855, filed September 23, 2002), and

WHEREAS, RICOH COMPANY, LTD.

(hereinafter referred to as “ASSIGNEE”) having a place of business at: 3-6, Nakamagome 1-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo, Japan

is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefore in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS ($5.00), the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, I (WE), by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

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