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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, the undersigned, have invented certain new and useful improvements in the following:

MICROSURGICAL INSTRUMENT

for which I have made application for United States Letters Patent.

WHEREAS, **ALCON, INC.**, a Swiss corporation having a place of business at Bösch 69, 6331 Hünenberg, Switzerland (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring my entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, and in and to the said application and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives my entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to said application and all patents which may be granted therefore, and all divisions, reissues, substitutions, continuations, continuations-in-part and extensions thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as my interest is concerned, to the said ASSIGNEE of my entire right, title and interest.

I also hereby sell and assign to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives the full and exclusive rights, title and interest to the invention disclosed in said applications throughout the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents, utility models, industrial models and designs for said invention in its own name throughout the world including all rights of priority, all rights to publish cautionary notices reserving ownership of said invention and all rights to register said invention in appropriate registries; and

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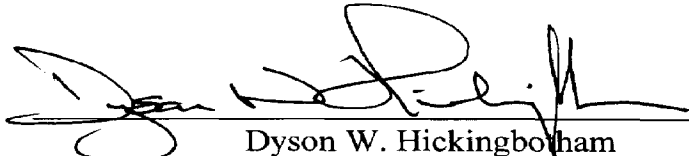
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I further authorize and direct Alcon attorneys to insert below* the serial number and filing date of said application now identified as Attorney Docket No. 2423 as soon as the same shall have been made known to them by the United States Patent Office.

*Serial Number: 29/173,005

Filing Date: December 19, 2002

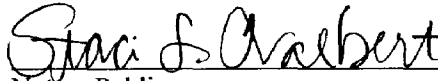
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 15 day of January, 2003.


Dyson W. Hickingbotham
Address: 160 Main Street
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On this 15 day of January, 2003, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Dyson W. Hickingbotham, to me well known and known by me to be the person of the above name who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his own free act and deed.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3.17.03

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