

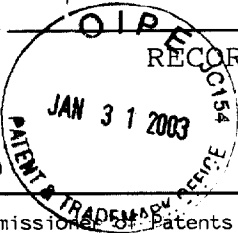
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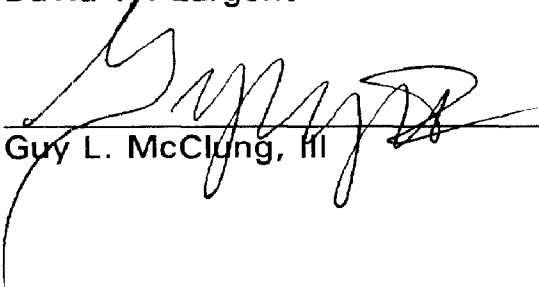
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### Assignment

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David W. Largent                      Date      12/26/02

  
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