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**ASSIGNMENT FOR UNFILED APPLICATION FOR  
UNITED STATES PATENT**

WHEREAS: KENNETH RAININ, 26 Sea View Avenue, Piedmont, California 94611 and JAMES S. PETREK, 365 Conway Drive, Danville, California 94526 (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), have invented and own a certain invention entitled:

**PIPETTE WITH IMPROVED PIPETTE TIP MOUNTING SHAFT**

(Patent Docket 01R-1-1), for which application for Letters Patent of the United States has been executed on even date(s) herewith,

WHEREAS:

RAININ INSTRUMENT, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company having offices at 7500 Edgewater Drive, Oakland, California 94621, U.S.A. (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that in consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNORS of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, ASSIGNORS hereby sells, assign and transfer to ASSIGNEE the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and to all Letters Patent or similar legal protection in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute or reissue thereof or any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign county for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted.

ASSIGNORS hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment and sale.

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documents relating to said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents in foreign countries as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNORS and will testify as to the same in any interference or litigation related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representative any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof in any foreign country which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

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(Date)

KENNETH RAININ

Kenn Rainin  
(Signature)

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(Date)

JAMES S. PETREK

J S Petrek  
(Signature)

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State of California )  
County of Alameda ) ss.  
United States of America )

Before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 2003 personally appeared the above named individual(s), to me known to be the person(s) who [ ] is [X] are described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that [ ] he [ ] she [X] they executed the same of [ ] his [ ] her [X] their own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

Janet Smoyer Terra  
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