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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:

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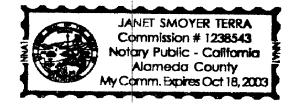
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