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AFFIDAVIT OF KEITH A. ZAR, ESQ.

- 1. My name is Keith A. Zar, Esq. I am Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for Next Level Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation. I have been General Counsel for Next Level Communications, Inc., since its formation in November 1999.
- 2. I was also General Counsel for Next Level Communications, L.P., formerly a Delaware limited partnership, from its formation in January 1998 until its merger into Next Level Communications, Inc., in November 1999.
- 3. I was also General Counsel for Next Level Communications, formerly a California corporation, from before January 1998 until its merger into Next Level Communications, Inc., in November 1999.
- 4. On or about January 13, 1998, Next Level Communications assigned and transferred certain assets to Next Level Communications, L.P., pursuant to a Contribution Agreement. The assets assigned to Next Level Communications, L.P., by Next Level Communications included, among other things, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the patents and patent applications identified in Schedule A, attached to this Affidavit, each of which patents and patent applications had previously been assigned to Next Level Communications, and its successors and assigns, by the respective inventors.
- 5. At the time of the assignment of these patents and patent applications to Next Level Communications, L.P., I was General Counsel of both Next Level Communications, L.P., and Next Level Communications.
- 6. When Next Level Communications, L.P., merged into Next Level
 Communications, Inc., in November 1999, Next Level Communications, Inc., became the owner
 of, among other things, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the patents and patent

PATENT REEL: 014022 FRAME: 0662 applications identified in Schedule A, attached to this Affidavit.

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1. Patent Applications

United States Patent Application No. 09/437,575
United States Patent Application No. 09/442,870
United States Patent Application No. 09/454,249
United States Patent Application No. 08/915,467
United States Patent Application No. 08/794,791
United States Patent Application No. 08/775,665
United States Patent Application No. 09/336,007

2. Patents

United States Patent No. D391,263 (from U.S. Application No. 29/059,667)
United States Patent No. D389,840 (from U.S. Application No. 29/053,819)
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United States Patent No. D404,018 (from U.S. Application No. 29/071,581)
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United States Patent No. 6,078,593 (from U.S. Application No. 08/795,184)
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United States Patent No. 5,907,552 (from U.S. Application No. 08/706,573)
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