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A S S I G N M E N T
(joint inventors)

We are the joint inventors whose names and residences are listed below:

1. Thomas K. Reusche, a resident of the City of Elburn, in the County of Kane, State of Illinois, and Country of United States of America.
2. Donald B. Owen, a resident of the City of Batavia, in the County of Kane, State of Illinois, and Country of United States of America.
3. Joe Blahnik, a resident of the City of St. Charles, in the County of Kane, State of Illinois and Country of United States of America.

We have jointly made an invention comprising certain new, useful, and nonobvious improvements in

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the specification of which is attached hereto.

Allied Precision Industries, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois (hereinafter: "said assignee"), having a place of business at 705 East North Street, Elburn, Illinois 60119 (hereinafter: "said assignee") desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention, said application, and any Letters Patent which may be granted for said invention, said application, and any and all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues, reexamination certificates, and extensions thereof.

We warrant and represent that we conceived said invention ourselves, that no one other than us is a joint inventor of said invention, and that neither we nor any of us have assigned or agreed to assign any rights in said invention or said application to anyone other than said assignee or a predecessor in interest to said assignee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of one dollar and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby assign to said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire worldwide right, title, and interest in and to said invention, said application, and any Letters Patent which may be granted

for said invention, said application, and any and all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues, reexamination certificates, substitutes, and extensions of said application (each of which is included herein as a part of "said application"), including but not limited to all our United States and other national rights to said invention and said application and all our rights under the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and all other applicable treaties or laws in respect to said invention and said application.

We hereby authorize and request the United States Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent which may be granted for said invention or upon said application unto said assignee, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this assignment.

We hereby authorize said assignee to apply for patents on said invention in foreign countries, claiming the filing date of said application under the provisions of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and all other applicable treatise and laws, and we further agree to execute any and all documents that may be required or desired by said assignee in order that said assignee may apply for Letters Patent on said invention in foreign countries in our or its name.

We hereby agree to promptly communicate to said assignee or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention or said application; to testify in any legal proceeding relating thereto; to sign all lawful papers, including but not limited to all divisional, continuing, continuing-in-part, reissue, substitute, and extension applications, all rightful oaths or declarations, and documents confirming or substituting for this assignment.

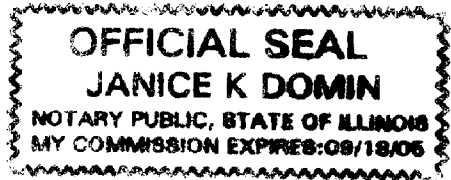
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[Signature]
Thomas K. Reusche

STATE OF Ill.)
) SS.
COUNTY OF Kane)

I, Janice K. Domin, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Thomas K. Reusche personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 29th day of April, ~~2002~~ 2003.



Janice K. Domin
Notary Public

(SEAL) My commission expires 9-18-05

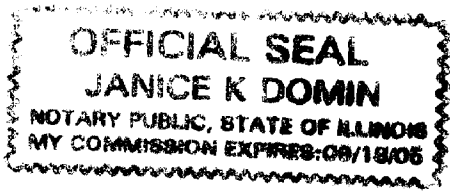
Signed at St. Charles in the County of Kane and State of Ill., this 29th day of April, 2002. ~~2003~~.

Donald B. Owen
Donald B. Owen

STATE OF Ill.)
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I, Janice K. Domin, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Donald B. Owen personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 29th day of April, 2002. ~~2003~~.



Janice K. Domin
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Signed at St. Charles in the County of Kane and State of Ill., this 29th day of April, 2001-2003.

Joe Blahnik
Joe Blahnik

STATE OF Ill.)
) SS.
COUNTY OF Kane)

I, Janice K. Domin, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Joe Blahnik personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 29th day of April, 2001-2003.



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