

## PATENT

## ASSIGNMENT

Whereas I, Gary L. Stoffer, who resides at 120 Condo Drive, Bedford, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, have recently studied the specification and claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,053,845 entitled TRAMPOLINE OR THE LIKE WITH ENCLOSURE which was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 25, 2000 based on an application filed on June 19, 1998 ("the '845 patent") and U.S. Patent No. 6,261,207 entitled TRAMPOLINE OR THE LIKE WITH ENCLOSURE which was issued on July 17, 2001 on an application filed on November 2, 1999 ("the '207 patent");

Whereas I verily believe that, if the '845 patent and the '207 patent are valid and enforceable, I am a co-inventor of, and made inventive contributions to, certain inventions or discoveries (or both) claimed in the '845 patent and the '207 patent;

Whereas I made the inventive contributions to the inventions or discoveries (or both) claimed in the '845 patent and the '207 patent at a time when I was employed full time by Hedstrom Corporation, the Assignee identified below; and

Whereas Hedstrom Corporation, whose address is P.O. Box 432, Sunnyside Road, Bedford, Pennsylvania 15522, and which, together with its successors and assigns, is herein called "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring from me whatever title, rights, interests, benefits and privileges that I now possess, and have ever possessed, in and to said inventions and discoveries claimed in the '845 patent and the '207 patent.

Now, Therefore, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to me, receipt and sufficiency of which I hereby acknowledge, I hereby, without reservation:

1. Assign, transfer and convey to Assignee whatever right, title and interest that I now possess, and have ever possessed, in and to said inventions and discoveries, the '845 patent and the '207 patent, and any and all other Letters Patent, reissues, reexaminations, and extensions of Letters Patent granted for said inventions and discoveries, it being my intention that this Assignment be effective *nunc pro tunc* as of a time reasonably contemporaneous with the making of my inventive contributions and, in any event, prior to the issue dates of the '845 patent and the '207 patent;

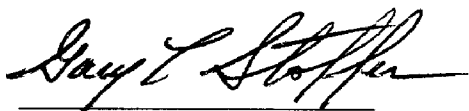
2. Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America and the empowered officials of all other governments to correct the inventorship shown on the '845 patent and '207 patent to list me as a co-inventor thereof, and issue or transfer all said Letters Patent to Assignee, as a joint owner thereof and as assignee of my entire right, title and interest therein or otherwise as Assignee may direct;

3. Warrant that I have not knowingly conveyed to others any right in said inventions, discoveries, or Letters Patent, or any license to use the same or to make, use or sell anything embodying or utilizing any of said inventions or discoveries, and that I have good right to assign the same Assignee without encumbrance;

4. Bind my heirs, legal representatives and assigns, as well as myself, to do, upon Assignee's request and at Assignee's expense, but without additional consideration to me or them, all acts reasonably serving to assure that the said inventions and discoveries, and the said Letters Patent shall be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and entirely as the same could have been held and enjoyed by me, my heirs, legal representatives and assigns if this assignment had not been made; and particularly to execute and deliver to Assignee all lawful documents including petitions, specifications, and oaths, and all assignments, disclaimers, and lawful affidavits in form and substance as may be requested by Assignee; to communicate to Assignee all facts known to me relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; and to furnish Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples and other physical exhibits in my control or in the control of my heirs, legal representatives or assigns which may be useful for establishing the facts of my conceptions, disclosures, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries.

In testimony of which I have executed this Assignment as an instrument under seal on the dates indicated next to my name.

6-25-03  
Date

  
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Gary L. Stoffer