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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Rudolf Stoffella, residing at In den Messerern 28, 2340 Mödling, Austria, have invented new and useful improvements in

Implant for Fixing Two Bone Fragments to Each Other

for which I am making application for Letters Patent of the United States, which application was executed by me on the 24 day of 09, 2002; and

WHEREAS, Waldemar Link GmbH & Co., a German corporation, having a place of business at Barkhausenweg 10, 22339 Hamburg, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements and any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon;

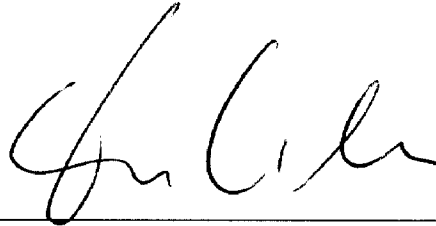
NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said Rudolf Stoffella, sell, assign and transfer to Waldemar Link GmbH & Co., its successors and assigns (hereinafter called "Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements and in and to any Letters Patent which may be obtained thereon in the United States, together with said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and other applications for Letters Patent which have been or may be filed on said improvements in the United States, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee for its and their sole use and behoof.

I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all Letters Patent of the United States on said improvements to the Assignee.

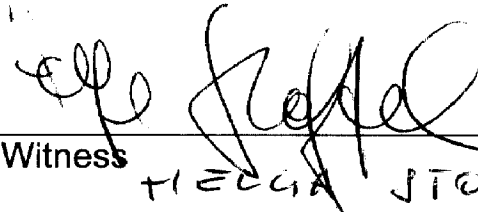
I further covenant and agree that when requested by the Assignee, and without further consideration, but at the cost and expense of the Assignee, I will execute and deliver all applications for patent on said improvements, execute all lawful oaths and other papers, supply to the Assignee all facts and evidence known to me relating to said improvements and the history and development thereof, testify in all interferences, suits, and other legal proceedings, and generally do everything rightful which the Assignee shall consider desirable for aiding in securing, maintaining, and enforcing proper patent protection for said improvements and for vesting the title to said improvements in the Assignee.

I further covenant that I have the lawful right to assign the interest in said improvements in the manner and form as herein expressed, that the interests herein conveyed are free from prior assignment, grant, mortgage, license, or other encumbrance whatsoever and that the execution of this Assignment is my own free act and deed.

Date: 09/24/02

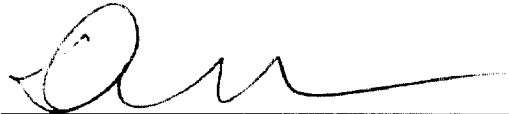


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