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and the invention(s) and improvement(s) set forth therein, and any and all continuations, continuations-in-part (C-I-P's), divisionals, and renewals of and substitutes for said application for said Letter Patent, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of countries foreign thereto which may be granted thereon or therefor; and any reissues, or reexaminations, or extensions of said Letters Patent.

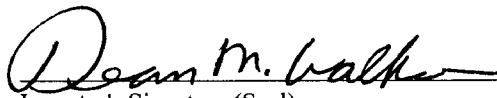
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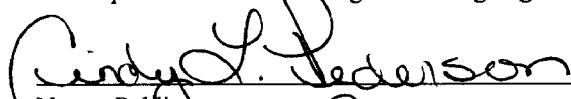
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Before me this 8th day of August, 2003, personally appeared **Dean M. Walker** who is personally known or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who acknowledged the foregoing instrument of assignment to be his/her free act and deed.



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