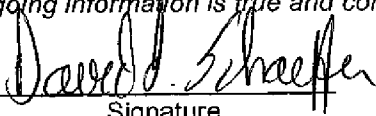


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WHEREAS, WE, Douglas G. Evans, a citizen of the United States, currently residing at 3325 Golfe Links Drive, Snellville, Georgia, 30039, United States, Ken Butcher, a citizen of the United States, currently residing at 3460 Monica Lane, Conyers, Georgia, ~~30039~~ 30094, United States, and Michele Gandy Davis, a citizen of the United States, currently residing at 135 Cedar Court, Forsyth, Georgia, 31029, United States, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS, have invented certain new and useful improvements in an SELF-ANCHORING SLING AND INTRODUCER SYSTEM, for which we filed U.S. patent application no. 10/633,254 on August 1, 2003;

WHEREAS, C.R. Bard, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the state of New Jersey, having a place of business at 730 Central Avenue, Murray Hill, NJ 07974, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the improvements and the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the ASSIGNORS, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the ASSIGNEE, its respective successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire, world-wide, right, title and interest in, to and under the improvements, and the application and all divisions, renewals, continuations and continuations-in-part thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for the improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for the improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for the improvements to the ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to the ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting the improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for the improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal to this Assignment.

April 5, 2004, 2004

Douglas G. Evans
Douglas G. Evans

State of Georgia)
County of Rockdale) ss.:

On this 5th day of April, 2004 before me,
a Notary Public, in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally
appeared Douglas G. Evans, to be known and known to me to be the person
of that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and he
acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

John H. Marshall
Notary Public
Notary Public, Rockdale County, Georgia
My Commission Expires October 25, 2005

April 5, 2004, 2004

Ken Butcher
Ken Butcher

State of Georgia)
County of Rockdale) ss.:

On this 5th day of April, 2004 before me,
a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally
appeared Ken Butcher, to be known and known to me to be the person of
that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and she
acknowledged the same to be her free act and deed.

John H. Marshall
Notary Public
Notary Public, Rockdale County, Georgia
My Commission Expires October 25, 2005

April 5, 2003, 2003

Michele Gandy Davis
Michele Gandy Davis

State of Georgia)
County of Rockdale) ss.:

On this 5th day of April, 2004 before me,
a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally
appeared Michele Gandy Davis, to be known and known to me to be the
person of that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and
he acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

John H. Marshall
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Notary Public, Rockdale County, Georgia
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