



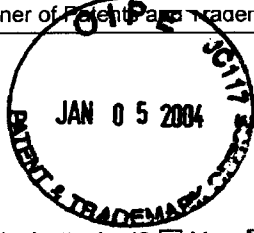
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for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America was executed on 24 June 2003; Application Serial No.: 10/602,264;

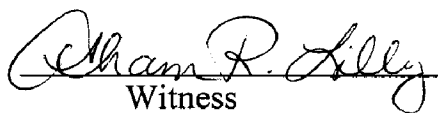
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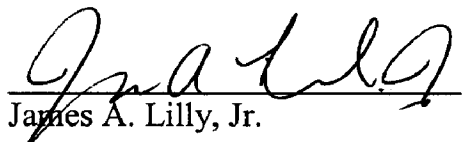
NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for and in consideration of other valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, I have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said corporation, its legal representatives, successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right to the said invention as fully set forth and described in the above-mentioned application, and to said application and any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted therefor, and any and all reissues of said Letters Patent, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said corporation, its legal representatives, successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted or may be reissued or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment and sale not been made.

AND I hereby authorize the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States on said invention or resulting from said Application and from any and all divisions and continuations thereof to the said corporation as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

In the presence of:


Witness


James A. Lilly, Jr.

DATE: 12-13-03