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## **Assignment**

**WHEREAS, the undersigned have/has made certain inventions which are described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States entitled:**

**“MEASUREMENT OF OBJECT DEFORMATION WITH OPTICAL PROFILER”**

**executed on even date herewith preparatory to obtaining United States Letters Patent therefore, and WHEREAS,**

**Veeco Instruments Inc. (hereafter referred to as said Company),**

**a corporation of the state of Delaware**

**and having a place of business at 2650 E. Elvira Road, Tucson, AZ 85708,**

**is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said inventions throughout the United States of America and the territories thereof, for all other countries and under all international agreements,**

**NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby sell(s), assign(s) and transfer(s) unto said Company, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the United States of America and the territories thereof, for all foreign countries and under all international agreements in and to said inventions, the aforesaid application, all other applications hereafter filed in the United States, in any other country, or under any international agreement based in whole or in part on said inventions, and all Letters Patents granted upon said applications by the United States, by any other country or under any international agreement, and do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said Company.**

**The undersigned further grant to said Company, its successors and assigns, the right to claim for any of said applications the full benefits and priority rights of any international agreement between the United States and any foreign country or countries of between any other countries. The undersigned hereby warrant(s) that they/(s)he have/has the full right to make the conveyance herein, and hereby covenant(s) that the heirs, legal representatives and assigns of the undersigned, will when requested, communicate to said Company, its representatives, successors and assigns, all facts known respecting said inventions, execute all divisional, continuing, reissue, reexamination and foreign or international applications, together with individual assignment therefore, make all rightful oaths, sign all lawful papers, testify in any legal proceeding and generally do everything possible to aid said Company, its successors and assigns, in the obtaining of Letters Patent.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto executed this assignment at the location and on the date indicated below.

Joanna Schmit  
Joanna Schmit

12/12/03  
Date

Paul R. Unruh  
Paul R. Unruh

12/12/03  
Date

Erik L. Novak  
Erik L. Novak

~~12/12/03~~ 12/30/03  
Date

State of Arizona     )  
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County of Pima        )

I, Elisha Robison, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Joanna Schmit, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged under oath that she signed, sealed and delivered the instrument as her free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 12 day of Dec, 2003.

(SEAL)

[Signature]  
Notary Public

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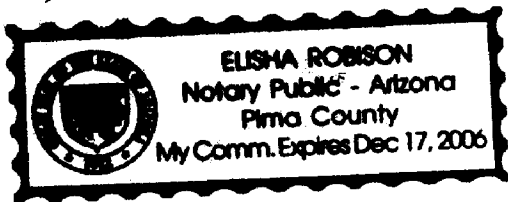
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I, Elisha Robison, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Paul R. Unruh, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged under oath that he signed, sealed and delivered the instrument as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 12 day of Dec, 2003.

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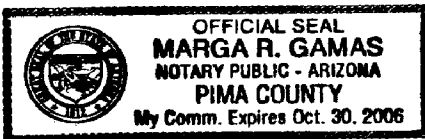
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I, [Signature] a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Erik L. Novak, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged under oath that he signed, sealed and delivered the instrument as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 30 day of Dec, 2003.

(SEAL)



Marga R. Gammas  
Notary Public

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