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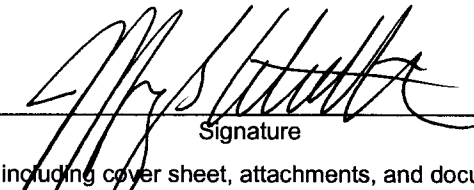
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Inventors: **Dirk Wiechmann, Ralf Paehl, Rüdger Rubbert, Thomas Weise**

In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assigns to:

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its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned disclosed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, entitled:

**Modular System for Customized Orthodontic Appliances**

and identified as:

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in the offices of MCDONNELL BOEHNEN HULBERT & BERGHOFF and in said application and any and all other applications, both United States and foreign, which the undersigned may file, either solely or jointly with others, on said invention or improvements, and in any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries, which may be obtained on any of said applications, and in any reissue or extension of such patents, and further assigns to said assignee the priority right provided by the International Convention.

The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said assignee.


The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the attorneys of record in said application to insert in this assignment the filing date and serial number of said application when officially known, and the date of execution of the application.

The undersigned warrants himself to be the owner of the entire right, title and

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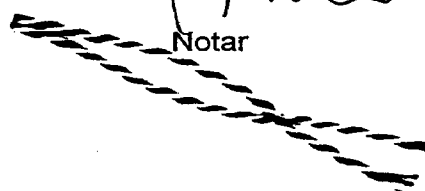
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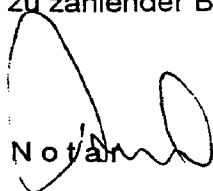


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