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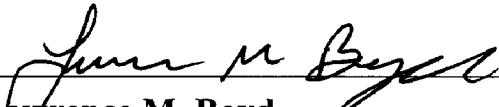
WHEREAS, I, Lawrence M. Boyd, of Durham, NC have invented certain new and useful improvements in **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR THE PRE-TREATMENT OF THE ENDPLATES OF AN INTERVERTEBRAL DISC**, Attorney Docket No. 1842-0008, for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States filed on October 29, 2002, with Serial No. 10/282,666; and

WHEREAS, Spine Wave, Inc. a corporation of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business in Shelton, CT is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefore in the United States and any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and of other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Spine Wave, Inc. its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and improvements in any form or embodiment thereof, disclosed and claimed in said application, or which are disclosed and may be claimed; also the entire right, title and interest in and to any Letters Patent to be granted in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries upon said invention in any form or upon any such improvements thereon, and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent on said application to the said Spine Wave, Inc., its successors and assigns.

Further, I agree that I will communicate to said Spine Wave, Inc., or its representatives, any facts known to me respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all of said Letters Patent to be issued to Spine Wave, Inc, make all rightful oaths and generally to do everything possible to aid said Spine Wave, Inc. its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce protection for said invention in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

Signed at Durham, NC, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2004.

  
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Lawrence M. Boyd