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March 15, 2004
Date

A. Patent Application No.(s)
29/201,426

B. Patent No.(s)

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, David M. Hardin, Jr., and Jason D. Foushee, hereinafter called the "Assignors", have made one or more inventions described in the United States patent application entitled "HANDLE FOR MEDICAL DEVICES, AND MEDICAL DEVICE ASSEMBLIES USING A HANDLE", filed on March 15, 2004 and assigned Serial No. 29/201,426;

WHEREAS, WILSON-COOK MEDICAL, INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of North Carolina, having a place of business at P.O. Box 27115-4191, 4900 Bethania Station Road, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105-4191, hereinafter called the "Assignee", desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the inventions and the patent application identified above, and all patents which may be obtained for said inventions, as set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for valuable and legally sufficient consideration, the receipt of which by the Assignors from the Assignee is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer to the Assignee, the entire right, title and interest for the United States, its territories and possessions, in and to the inventions and the patent application identified above, and any patents that may issue for said inventions in the United States; together with the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and all patent applications and patents therefor in all countries foreign to the United States, including the full right to claim for any such application all benefits and priority rights under any applicable convention; together with the entire right, title and interest in and to all continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions, renewals, extensions or reissues of any of the patent applications and patents defined above; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive

use and benefit of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for all such patents.

The Assignors hereby covenant and agree, for both the Assignors and the Assignors' legal representatives, that the Assignors will assist the Assignee in the prosecution of the patent application identified above; in the making and prosecution of any other patent applications that the Assignee may elect to make covering the inventions identified above; in vesting in the Assignee like exclusive title in and to all such other patent applications and patents; and in the prosecution of any interference which may arise involving said inventions, or any such patent application or patent; and that the Assignors will execute and deliver to the Assignee any and all additional papers which may be requested by the Assignee to carry out the terms of this Assignment.

The Assignors hereby consent that a copy of this Assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any document which may be required in any country in proof of the right of the Assignees to apply for patent or other form of protection for said inventions and to claim the right of priority provided by any all treaties, conventions or agreements.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested to issue patents to the Assignee in accordance with the terms of this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Assignors have executed this agreement.

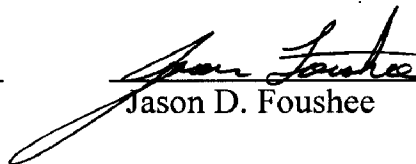
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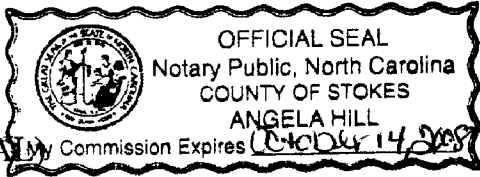
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Jason D. Foushee

STATE OF North Carolina
COUNTY OF Stokes) ss.

I, Angela Hill, A Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that David M. Hardin, Jr., personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 26th day of May, 2004.



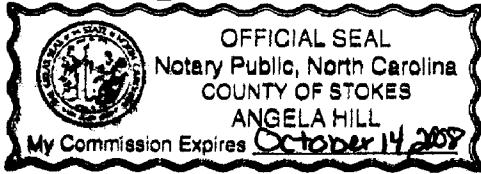
Angela Hill
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

STATE OF North Carolina
COUNTY OF Forsyth) ss.

I, Angela Hill, A Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Jason D. Foushee, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 8th day of July, 2004.



Angela Hill
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: October 14, 2008