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AND WHEREAS, Dot Hill Systems Corporation, together with any successors, legal representatives, or assigns thereof, with its principal office at 6305 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA, 92009, wants to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention(s), and to the said application and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

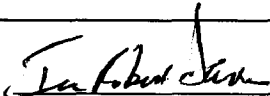
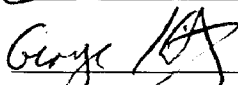

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledge, I have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to the said Dot Hill Systems Corporation its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention and in and to the said application and all patents which may be granted thereon, and all divisions, reissues, substitutions, continuations, and extensions thereof; and I/we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents, and any officials of foreign countries whose duty it is to issue patents on applications, to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as my interest in concerned, to the said Dot Hill Systems Corporation as assignee of my entire right, title and interest;

I ALSO HEREBY sell and assign to Dot Hill Systems Corporation its successors and assigns, my foreign rights to the invention disclosed in said application, in all countries of the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents under the terms of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, and of the European Patent Convention, and further agree to execute any and all patent applications, assignments, affidavits, and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such patent rights;

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this day and year:

TITLE OF INVENTION	NETWORK, STORAGE APPLIANCE, AND METHOD FOR EXTERNALIZING AN INTERNAL I/O LINK BETWEEN A SERVER AND A STORAGE CONTROLLER INTEGRATED WITHIN THE STORAGE APPLIANCE CHASSIS		
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