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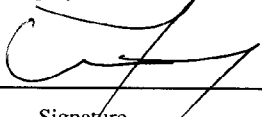


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A S S I G N M E N T

Serial No. 10/403,217
Filed March 31, 2003

WHEREAS, Alfredo Choperena, Harold R. Williams, Szu-Min Lin, and Robert Lukasik residing at 31342 Via Las Palmas, San Juan Capistrano, California 92675; 1223 Llano Street, San Clemente, California 92673; 25632 Rain Tree Road, Laguna Hills, California 92653; and 14911 Amorose Street, Lake Elsinore, California 92530 respectively (hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to

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for which they have on the day of , 2004 executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ethicon, Inc., a corporation of the State of New Jersey, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' entire right, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other valuable considerations to them moving, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee their entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application whose identification above by serial number and filing date, when available is hereby authorized, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

And Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that he has a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to them relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

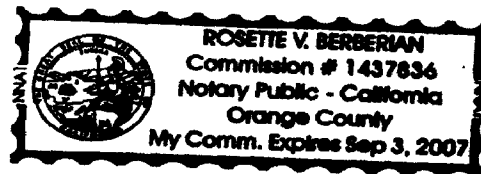
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and seals this 27th day of ~~SEPTEMBER~~, 2004 *AL*

Alfredo Choperena (L.S.)
Alfredo Choperena

STATE OF *California*)
) ss.
COUNTY OF *Orange*)

2004 BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this *27th* day of *September*, ~~2003~~, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Alfredo Choperena, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Rosette V. Barberian
Notary Public



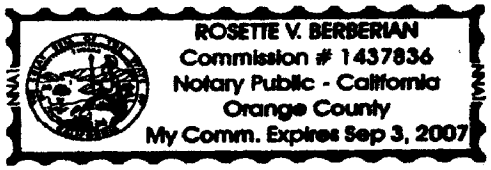
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and seals this 27ⁿ day of SEPTEMBER, 2003/4 *Hu*

Harold R. Williams (L.S.)
Harold R. Williams

STATE OF *California*)
) ss.
COUNTY OF *Orange*)

²⁰⁰⁴_{RVB} BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 27th day of *September*, 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Harold R. Williams, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Rosette V. Berberian
Notary Public



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and seals this 27th day of September, 2003~~4~~

Szu-Min Lin

(L.S.)

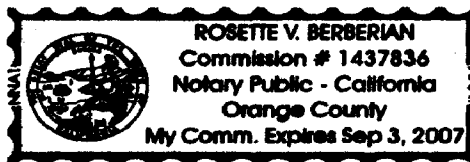
Szu-Min Lin

STATE OF California)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Orange)

²⁰⁰⁴~~2003~~ BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 27th day of September, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Szu-Min Lin, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Rosette V. Berberian

Notary Public



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set
their hands and seals this 27th day of September , 2003⁴

Robert Lukasik (L.S.)
Robert Lukasik

STATE OF California)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Orange)

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~~FUP~~ BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 27th day of September, 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Robert Lukasik, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Rosette V. Berberian
Notary Public

