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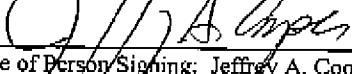
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- Application claims priority from Application No. 60/552,641, filed March 11, 2004, all applications listed above being hereinafter referred to as the "application(s)";

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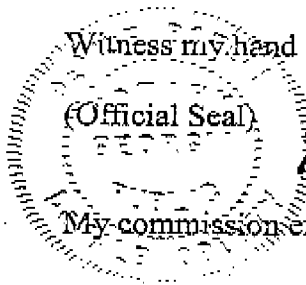
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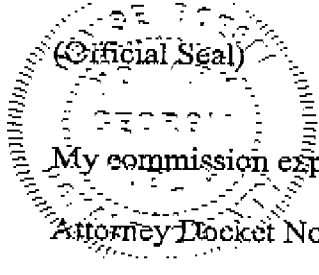
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