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| Christopher J. Hess James W. Voegele | Internal Address: |
| James W. Voegele | |
| Execution Date(s) March 24, 2005 | Street Address: 4545 Creek Road, #97 |
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| Name: William E. Gallagher | 7. Total fee (37 CFR 1.21(h) & 3.41) \$ 40.00 |
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ASSIGNMENT

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WHEREAS, William B. Weisenburgh II, a citizen of the United States, residing at 974 Airymeadows Drive, Maineville 45039, County of Warren, and State of Ohio; and Robert P. Gill, a citizen of the United States, residing at 9122 Nottingham Way, Mason 45040, County of Warren, and State of Ohio; and Christopher J. Hess, a citizen of the United States, residing at 1704 East McMillan Street, Cincinnati 45206, County of Hamilton, and State of Ohio; and James W. Voegele, a citizen of the United States; residing at 11486 Kemperknoll Lane, Cincinnati 45249, County of Hamilton, and State of Ohio; (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNORS"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to an INSTRUMENT FOR EFFECTING ANASTOMOSIS OF RESPECTIVE TISSUES DEFINING TWO BODY LUMENS, for which they have this day executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc., a corporation formed under the laws of the State of Ohio, (hereinafter referred to as "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

PATENT REEL: 016437 FRAME: 0420 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, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this <u>24</u> day of March, 2005.

(L.S.)

STATE OF OHIO
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON
)

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this Add day of March, 2005, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared William B. Weisenburgh II, 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.

LINDA F. HANSEN

Notary Public, State of Ohio

My Constitution Expires

July 11, 2008

Notary Public

| IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignment | gnor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 24 day |
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| of March, 2005. | |
| (L.S.) | Robert P. Gill |
| STATE OF OHIO |) |
| |) ss: |
| COUNTY OF HAMILTON |) |

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 24 day of March, 2005, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Robert P. Gill, 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.

LINDA F. HANSEN
Notary Public, State of Ohio
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July 11, 2008

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Notary Public

| IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Ass | ignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 24 day of |
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| March, 2005. | |
| (L.S.) | Christopher J. Hess |
| STATE OF OHIO |) |
| COUNTY OF HAMILTON |) ss:) |

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this Add day of March, 2005, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Christopher J. Hess, 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.

LINDA F. HANSEN

Notary Putito, State of Ohio

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July 11, 2008

Notary Public

James W. Voegele

Sinda I. Harson Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 29 day of March, 2005.

(L.S.)STATE OF OHIO) ss: **COUNTY OF HAMILTON**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 24 day of March, 2005, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared James W. Voegele, 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.



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