

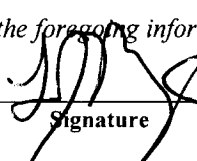
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- (a) ☐ U.S. patent application executed on even date herewith
- (b) ☐ U.S. patent application executed on _____
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ASSIGNOR hereby grants ASSIGNEE and Assignee's attorneys the power to insert the Serial No. and/or filing date of the above-described application(s) after such information becomes known to them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set hand and seal.

INVENTORS:

Keith L. Milliman
Keith L. Milliman

Dated: 12/13/04

State of Connecticut)
County of New Haven) ss North Haven

Before me this 13th day of December 2004,
personally appeared Keith L. Milliman to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

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