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4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: A. Patent Application No.(s) <u>11/241,760</u> , Filed September 30, 2005 B. Patent No.(s) Additional numbers attached? ___ Yes <u>X</u> No	
5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: Name: Kevin M. Mason Internal Address: Ryan, Mason & Lewis, LLP Street Address: 1300 Post Road, Suite 205 City: Fairfield State: CT ZIP: 06824	6. Total number of applications and patents involved: <u>1</u> 7. Total Fee (37 CFR 3.41)..... \$ <u>40.00</u> ___ Enclosed <u>X</u> Authorized to be charged to deposit account 8. Deposit account number <u>50-0762</u>


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ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

For value received, I, Nils Graef, of Allentown in the County of Lehigh and the State of Pennsylvania, hereby sell, assign and transfer to Agere Systems Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having an office at 1110 American Parkway NE, Allentown, PA 18109, U.S.A., and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America, in and to certain inventions related to a **TRACE-AHEAD METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING SURVIVOR PATHS IN A VITERBI DETECTOR**, described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, filed on September 30, 2005 and assigned Serial No. 11/241,760, and all the rights and privileges in said application and under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted in the United States for said inventions; and I also concurrently hereby sell, assign and transfer to Agere Systems Inc. the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions for all countries foreign to the United States, including all rights of priority arising from the application aforesaid, and all the rights and privileges under any and all forms of protection, including Letters Patent, that may be granted in said countries foreign to the United States for said inventions.

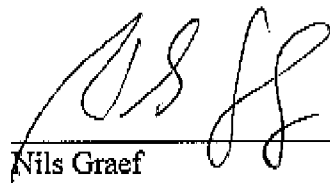
I authorize Agere Systems Inc. to make application for such protection in its own name and maintain such protection in any and all countries foreign to the United States, and to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions, without further authorization from me, any and all benefits, including the right of priority provided by any and all treaties, conventions, or agreements.

I hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any document which may be required in any country in proof of the right of Agere Systems Inc. to apply for patent or other form of protection for said inventions and to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority.

I request that any and all patents for said inventions be issued to Agere Systems Inc. in the United States and in all countries foreign to the United States, or to such nominees as Agere Systems Inc. they may designate.

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I agree that, when requested, I shall, without charge to Agere Systems Inc. but at its expense, sign all papers, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient in connection with said applications, patents, or other forms of protection.


Nils Graef

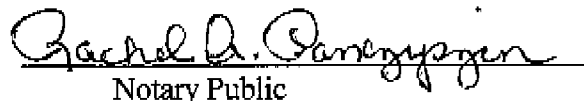
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On this 31 day of October, 2005, before me personally came Nils Graef, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged execution of the same.


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