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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS, Brad Topper, Brett Bannerman, Tom Weisel and J. Terry Benson hereby sell, assign and transfer to ASSIGNEE, Surgical Solutions, LLC having a place of business at 25014 Anza Drive, Valencia, California 91355, and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE all of its right, title and interest for the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries in and to, any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled: "SUTURING APPARATUS AND METHOD" and which is found in the U.S. Patent Application filed herewith and any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country, including the right to claim priority and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention by the above application or any continuation, division, continuation-in-part, extension, conversion to 35 USC 111(a) or substitute thereof, and any reissue, reexamination or extension of said Letters Patent and all under all International Conventions for the Protection of Industrial Property;


ASSIGNORS hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment;

ASSIGNORS further covenant that the ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNOR and will testify as to the same in any interference, litigation, or proceeding relating thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representative any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue or enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof which may be

necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof. An attorney of record is authorized and requested by the execution of this assignment to insert into this assignment the filing date and serial number of said application when officially known.

AND the ASSIGNORS request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States and any reissue or extension thereof to the ASSIGNEE, Surgical Solutions, LLC.

Date: 9-24-02


Brad Topper

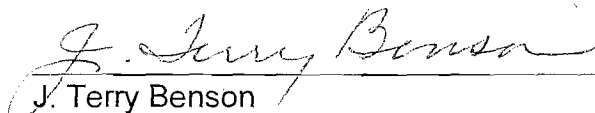
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Brett Bannerman

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Tom Weisel

Date: 17 Sept 2002


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