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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the undersigned, Michael Kent, residing at 12 Southbury Road, Cumberland, Rhode Island 02864, and William D. Hester, residing at 63 Lakeview, Meriden, Connecticut 06451; hereby:

Sell, assign and transfer to Staples The Office Superstore, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company having a place of business at 500 Staples Drive, Framingham, MA 01702, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all hereinafter referred to as the Assignee, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all inventions which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, bearing docket number S1524.70029US00, on November 29, 2005 under Serial No. 29/243,658 and entitled STAPLER, and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said inventions; and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said inventions including the right to apply for patent rights in each foreign country and all rights to priority; .

Agree that said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said inventions in its own name; and when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, we agree to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, by executing all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all said inventions, by executing all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers, by communicating to said Assignee all facts known to us relating to said inventions and the history thereof, and generally by doing everything reasonably possible which said Assignee shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection for said inventions and for vesting title to said inventions and all applications for patents and all patents on said inventions, in said Assignee;

Request the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said Assignee; and

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Covenant with said Assignee that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by us and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by us/me.

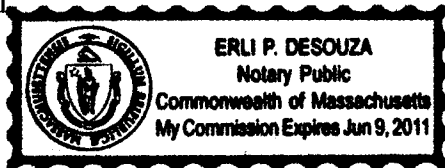
March 14, 2006
Date

Michael Kent

STATE OF Massachusetts :
COUNTY OF Middlesex :

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of MARCH.

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Notary Public
My Commission Expires 6/9/2011

Date

William D. Hester

STATE OF _____ :
COUNTY OF _____ :

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____.

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Date

Michael Kent

STATE OF _____:
COUNTY OF _____:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____.

SEAL

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____

2-6-06
Date

William Hester
William D. Hester

STATE OF Connecticut:
COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN: MERIDEN

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of Feb.

SEAL

Kathy E. Armstrong
Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____

KATHY E. ARMSTRONG
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires Feb. 28, 2007