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## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, WE, RICHARD R. NAVARRO, a citizen of the United States, residing at 10350 Forestview Drive, Strongsville, Ohio 44136, and BHARADWAJ ANANTHAN, a citizen of India, residing at 367 Power Street, Akron, OH 44311, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNORS"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in artificial disc prosthesis, for which we have prepared and filed a provisional patent application on April 4, 2003, entitled Artificial Disc Prosthesis, bearing Application Serial No. 60/460,613; and

WHEREAS, THEKEN DISC, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Ohio, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, WE, the said ASSIGNORS, hereby sell, assign, and transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to, and under the said invention, and the said United States application and all divisions, renewals, and continuations thereof, and all patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues, reexaminations, and extensions thereof; and all Patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models and designs, which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals, reexaminations, and reissues thereof;

ASSIGNORS HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal respecting said invention, and testify in all divisional, continuing, reissue, reex oaths, and generally do everything pos	covenant and agree that they will communicate to the representatives and assigns, any facts known to them any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute amination and foreign applications, make all rightful sible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal and enforce proper protection for said invention in all Richard R. Navarro
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	the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and said Richard R. Navarro, known to me or proved to ce to be the person whose name is subscribed to the nat he executed the same.  NOTARY PUBLIC PRINTED NAME:  Stephen M. Behm Notary Public, State of Ohio. RESIDING IN My Commission Expires January 31, 2005
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On June 17, 2003, before the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared said Bharadwaj Ananthan, known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the above assignment, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, RANDALL R. THEKEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at 1100 Nola Avenue, Coventry Township, Ohio 44203, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in artificial disc prosthesis, contained in a provisional patent application filed on April 4, 2003, entitled "Artificial Disc Prosthesis," bearing Application Serial No. 60/460,613; and

WHEREAS, THEKEN DISC, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Ohio, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said ASSIGNOR, hereby sell, assign, and transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to, and under the said invention, and the said United States application and all divisions, renewals, and continuations thereof, and all patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues, reexaminations, and extensions thereof; and all Patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models and designs, which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals, reexaminations, and reissues thereof;

ASSIGNOR HEREBY authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, reissue, reexamination and foreign applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries. Randall R. Theken STATE OF OHIO SS: COUNTY OF Su , 2004, before the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared said Randall R. Theken, known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the above assignment, and acknowledged that he executed the same. **NOTARY PUBLIC** MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: PRINTED NAME: **RESIDING IN** MICHAEL L. WEIGAND, Attorney at Law NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Ohio 0009337.0125323 My Commission Has No Expiration Do NWALibrary/32691.1 Section 147-03 R. C.



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