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ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, we, David Karl Bried, of 1454 Crimson Clover Court, Brentwood, TN 37027; James Arthur Strickland, of 119 N. Wynridgeway, Goodlettsville, TN 37072; Mark T. Nielsen, of 1909 Riverchase Blvd., Madison, TN 37115; Frank Scott Atchley, of 3828 Richland Avenue, Nashville, TN 37205; Lamar Eugene Walters, of 1206 Chickasaw Drive, Brentwood, TN 37027; and Gregory A. Pace, of 2674 Old Beaver Creek Road, Nunnally, TN 37137; hereby assign to U.S. SMOKELESS TOBACCO COMPANY, a corporation of Delaware Corporation, having a place of business at 100 West Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830, and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, entitled CONTAINER DEVICE FOR TOBACCO ARTICLES, filed March 11, 2008, and assigned U.S. Serial Number 12/046,051, and we authorize and request the attorneys appointed in said application to hereafter complete this assignment by inserting above the filing date and serial number of said application when known; this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes; and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our name or in its own name for patents, utility models, design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

DATE:

2/22/08

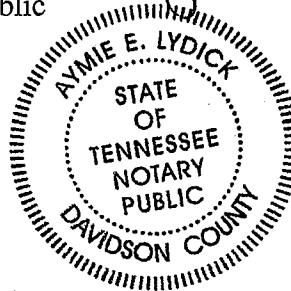
DAVID KARL BRIED

STATE OF TENNESSEE)
) SS.
COUNTY OF Davidson)

On February 22, 2008, before me, the undersigned, a notary public for the State of Tennessee, there personally appeared DAVID KARL BRIED personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Assignment, who acknowledged having executed the same in his authorized capacity and that by his signature on this Assignment, the person or the entity upon behalf of which he acted, executed this Assignment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Aymie E. Lydick
Notary Public



MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
August 23, 2011

DATE: 02/15/08

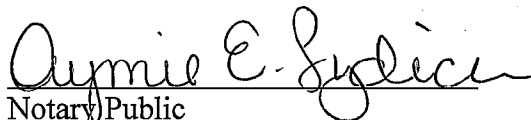


JAMES ARTHUR STRICKLAND

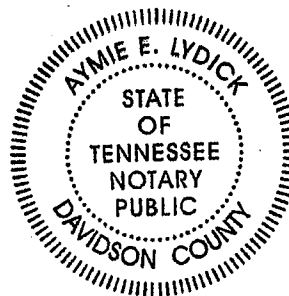
STATE OF Tennessee)
COUNTY OF Davidson) SS.

On February 15, 2008, before me, the undersigned, a notary public for the State of Tennessee, there personally appeared JAMES ARTHUR STRICKLAND personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Assignment, who acknowledged having executed the same in his authorized capacity and that by his signature on this Assignment, the person or the entity upon behalf of which he acted, executed this Assignment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Notary Public



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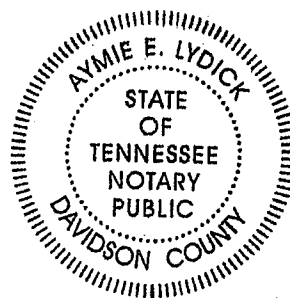
Mark T. Nielsen
MARK T. NIELSEN

STATE OF Tennessee)
COUNTY OF Davidson) SS.

On February 21, 2008, before me, the undersigned, a notary public for the State of Tennessee, there personally appeared MARK T. NIELSEN personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Assignment, who acknowledged having executed the same in his authorized capacity and that by his signature on this Assignment, the person or the entity upon behalf of which he acted, executed this Assignment.

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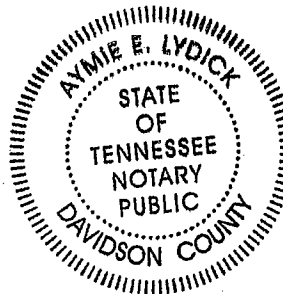
Frank Scott Atchley
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STATE OF Tennessee)
COUNTY OF Davidson) SS.

On February 15, 2008, before me, the undersigned, a notary public for the State of Tennessee, there personally appeared FRANK SCOTT ATCHLEY personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Assignment, who acknowledged having executed the same in his authorized capacity and that by his signature on this Assignment, the person or the entity upon behalf of which he acted, executed this Assignment.

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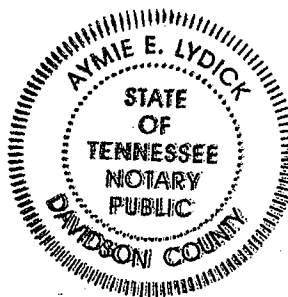
Lamar Eugene Walters II
LAMAR EUGENE WALTERS II

STATE OF Tennessee)
COUNTY OF Davidson) SS.

On February 25, 2008, before me, the undersigned, a notary public for the State of Tennessee, there personally appeared LAMAR EUGENE WALTERS personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Assignment, who acknowledged having executed the same in his authorized capacity and that by his signature on this Assignment, the person or the entity upon behalf of which he acted, executed this Assignment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Aymie E. Lydick
Notary Public



**MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
August 23, 2011**

DATE: _____

DAVID KARL BRIED

STATE OF _____)
COUNTY OF _____) SS.

On _____, before me, the undersigned, a notary public for the State of Tennessee, there personally appeared DAVID KARL BRIED personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Assignment, who acknowledged having executed the same in his authorized capacity and that by his signature on this Assignment, the person or the entity upon behalf of which he acted, executed this Assignment.

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