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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS,

- (1) Randall ALLARD of the City of Issaquah
State of Washington, USA
- (2) Jason ECKHARDT of the City of Memphis
State of Tennessee, USA
- (3) Tom FRANCIS of the City of Memphis
State of Tennessee, USA
- (4) Thomas CARLS of the City of Memphis
State of Tennessee, USA
- (5) Robert B. RICE of the City of Warsaw
State of Indiana, USA

has invented certain improvements in

SPINAL NUCLEUS REPLACEMENT IMPLANTS

for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America,

_____ of even date herewith; and

X filed on 01/21/2009 and assigned application number 12/356,713 ; and

WHEREAS, we hereby authorize and request the attorneys of Assignee, Warsaw Orthopedic, Inc., of 2500 Silveus Crossing, Warsaw, Indiana 46581, to insert the filing date and application number of the application when known; and

WHEREAS, Warsaw Orthopedic, Inc. (Assignee), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana, having its principal office and place of business in the City of Warsaw, State of Indiana, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under the invention and the application in the United States of America and in any and all countries foreign thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, for One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under the invention, and the application, and all divisional, renewal, substitutional, and continuing applications thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States of America which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions

thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may be filed for the invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, and all prior patents and patent applications for which a filing priority of the above-described patent application may be obtained, including the right to collect past damages; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, whose duty is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for the invention to the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me respecting the invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, renewal, substitutional, continuing, and reissue applications, make all rightful declarations and/or oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce patent protection for the invention in all countries.

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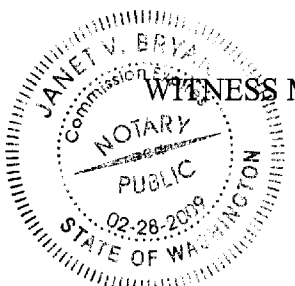
Dated: November 20, 2008 Randall Allard

STATE OF Washington

COUNTY OF King

On this the 20th day of November, 2008, before me personally appeared Randall ALLARD, to me known (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

WITNESS MY HAND and Seal at office this the 20th day of November, 2008.



Janet V Bryan
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
2-28-2009

Inventor Name:
Address:

Jason ECKHARDT
2600 Sofamor Danek Drive
Memphis, Tennessee 38132

Dated: October 17th 2008

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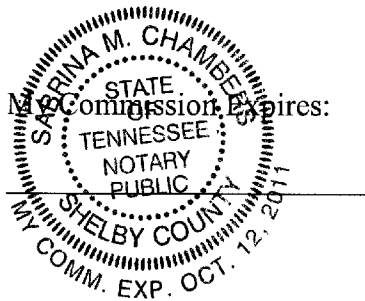
STATE OF Tennessee

COUNTY OF Shelby

On this the 17th day of October, 2008, before me personally appeared Jason ECKHARDT, to me known (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

WITNESS MY HAND and Seal at office this the 17th day of October, 2008.

Sabrina Chambers
Notary Public



Inventor Name: Tom FRANCIS
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Memphis, Tennessee 38132

Dated: Oct 6, 2008 Tom Francis

STATE OF Tennessee

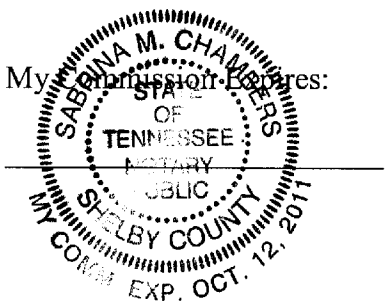
COUNTY OF Shelby

On this the 6th day of October, 2008, before me personally appeared Tom FRACIS, to me known (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

WITNESS MY HAND and Seal at office this the 6th day of October, 2008.

Sabrina Chambers
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My Commission Expires:



Inventor Name:
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Thomas CARLS
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Dated: 10/8/08 Thomas Carl

STATE OF Tennessee

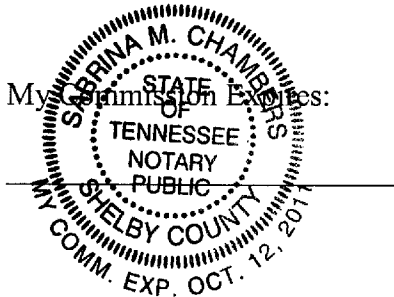
COUNTY OF Shelby

On this the 8th day of October, 2008, before me personally appeared Thomas CARLS, to me known (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

WITNESS MY HAND and Seal at office this the 8th day of October, 2008.


Sabrina Chamberl

Notary Public



Inventor Name:
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Robert B. Rice
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Warsaw, Indiana 46580

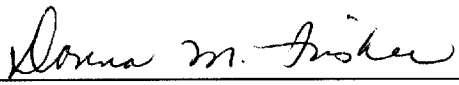
Dated: January 16, 2009 

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF KOSCIUSKO

On this the 16th day of JANUARY, 2008, before me personally appeared Robert B. Rice, to me known (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

WITNESS MY HAND and Seal at office this the 16 day of JANUARY, 2008.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

May 1, 2009

DONNA M. FISHER
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF KOSCIUSKO
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 1, 2009