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**ASSIGNORS:**

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- (a) ☐ U.S. patent application executed on even date herewith.
- (b) ☐ U.S. patent application executed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) ☒ U.S. application Serial No. 12/402,656 filed on March 12, 2009
- ☒ U.S. application Serial No. 12/015,404 filed on January 16, 2008
- ☒ U.S. application Serial No. 11/317,816 filed on December 23, 2005
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- ☒ U.S. application Serial No. 09/425,696 filed on October 22, 1999
- ☒ U.S. application Serial No. 09/178,027 filed on October 23, 1998

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- (e) ☐ U.S. Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_ issued \_\_\_\_\_.
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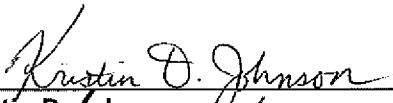
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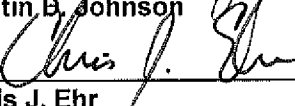
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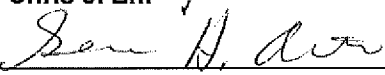
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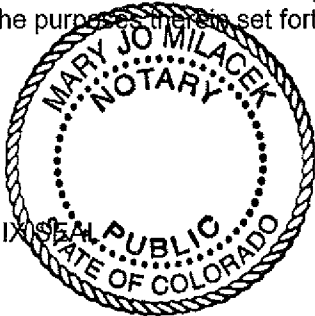
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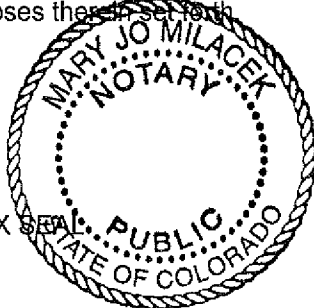
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