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WHEREAS, WE, **Jarrold L. Nichols**, of 8116 Anderson Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66503 and **Galen R. Ackerman**, of 2055 200th Road, Sabetha, Kansas 66534 have invented certain new and useful improvements in

### **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING TRACTION TO THE SPINAL COLUMN**

which is the subject of U.S. Patent Application No. 11/464,303, filed 08/14/2006; and

WHEREAS, **Nichols Therapy Systems, LLC**, a limited liability company duly organized under the laws of the State of Kansas, and having its principal place of business at **709 Commons Place, Manhattan, KS 66503**, is desirous of acquiring an interest in, to, and under said invention, said Application and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted for or upon said invention in the United States of America and all countries foreign thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledge, WE, **Jarrold L. Nichols**, of 8116 Anderson Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66503 and **Galen R. Ackerman**, of **2055 200th Road, Sabetha, Kansas 66534**, have sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto said **Nichols Therapy Systems, LLC**, the full and exclusive right, title, and interest, throughout the world, in, to, and under the following:

- (a) said invention as fully set forth and described in said Application;
- (b) said Application Serial No. 11/464,303, filed 08/14/2006;
- (c) any and all refilings, divisions, and continuations of said Application;
- (d) any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America that may issue from said Application, refilings, divisions, and continuations;
- (e) any and all reissues of said Letters Patent of the United States of America;
- (f) any and all applications for Letters Patent on said invention that may hereafter be filed, or have heretofore been filed, in any and all countries foreign to the United States of America, together with all rights to file and to claim priority in connection with said foreign-filed applications;



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On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of Aug, 2009, before me personally appeared **Galen R. Ackerman**, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

My Commission expires: 5-13-12

  
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Notary Public

