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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Thomas J. Fogarty, of Portola Valley, California 94028, a citizen of the United States of America, (hereinafter "ASSIGNOR") am the sole and exclusive owner of the following United States applications for Letters Patent:

PATENT APPLICATIONS

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Title</u>
08/444,396	May 19, 1995	SCREW-TYPE SKIN SEAL WITH INFLATABLE MEMBRANE
08/444,424	May 19, 1995	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR BLOOD VESSEL HARVESTING
08/444,425	May 19, 1995	SKIN SEAL WITH INFLATABLE MEMBRANE
08/444,426	May 19, 1995	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR HARVESTING BLOOD VESSELS WITH BALLOONS
08/447,124	May 20, 1995	BALLOON LOADED DISSECTING INSTRUMENTS
08/475,114	June 7, 1995	CANNULA ASSEMBLY WITH SQUEEZE OPERATED VALVE
08/475,137	June 7, 1995	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR BLOOD VESSEL HARVESTING
08/480,040	June 7, 1995	SKIN SEAL WITH BELLOWS COVER
08/480,796	June 7, 1995	ENDOSCOPIC LINTON PROCEDURE USING BALLOON DISSECTORS AND RETRACTORS

WHEREAS, General Surgical Innovations, Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and having a place of business at 3172A Porter Drive, Palo Alto, California 94304, (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE") is desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the aforesaid applications, and in and to any and all inventions disclosed therein, and in and to any Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be granted and issued therefore in the United States of America, its territories and possessions, and in all countries foreign thereto;

NOW THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns, transfers, and sets over to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the aforesaid applications, and in and to any and all inventions disclosed therein, and in and to any and all Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefore, and in and to any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, or reissue applications claiming priority from the aforesaid applications and in and to any and all Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefore, not only in the United States of America, its territories and possessions, but also in all other countries including all priority rights under the International Convention, and ASSIGNOR authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent resulting from the aforesaid applications to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this Assignment.

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement, or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this Assignment.

ASSIGNOR further covenants that ASSIGNEE will, upon request of ASSIGNEE, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to the aforesaid

applications, and the inventions disclosed therein, and any patents to be issued thereon as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNOR and will testify to the same in any interference or legal proceeding relating thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its designated legal representative all papers, instruments, declarations, or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue, and enforce the aforesaid applications and the inventions disclosed therein, and the equivalents thereof, in any foreign country which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

The terms, covenants, and provisions of this Assignment shall inure to the benefit of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, heirs, and legal representatives, and shall be binding on ASSIGNOR, his successors, assigns, heirs, and other legal representatives.

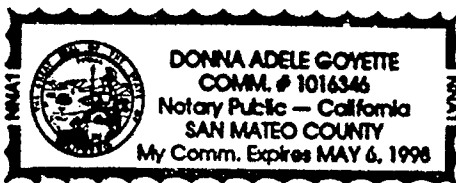
WITNESS my hand at PORTOLA VALLEY, California, this 26 day of MARCH, 1996.

By: Thomas J. Fogarty
Thomas J. Fogarty

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO)

On this 26th day of MARCH, 1996, before me, a Notary Public, State of California, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Thomas J. Fogarty, known to me (~~or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence~~) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal in PORTOLA VALLEY, California, the day and year as noted above.



By: Donna Adele Goyette
Notary Public