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| Michele D'Arcangelo  | 02/15/2009                      |
| Alessandro Pastorelli  | 03/03/2009                      |
| Federico Bilotti   | 02/19/2009                      |
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| <b>Street Address:</b>   | 4545 Creek Road                 |
| <b>City:</b>   | Cincinnati                      |
| <b>State/Country:</b>  | OHIO                            |
| <b>Postal Code:</b>  | 45242                           |
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## A S S I G N M E N T

US Serial No.

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WHEREAS, **Antonio Longo**, citizen of Italy, residing at Via Maqueda, 8, I-90134, Palermo, Italy; **Michele D'Arcangelo**, citizen of Italy, residing at Via Benedetto Croce, 26, I-00142, Roma, Italy; **Alessandro Pastorelli**, citizen of Italy, residing at Via Francesco Savori, 5, I-00136, Roma, Italy; **Federico Bilotti**, citizen of Italy, residing at Via Bernina, 18, I-04011, Aprilia, Latina, Italy; and **Brian James Thompson**, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 3192 Golden Hollow Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226 (hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to:

**A SURGICAL INSTRUMENT FOR PERFORMING CONTROLLED MYOTOMIES**

for which they have this day executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, **Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc.**, residing at 4545 Creek Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242 a corporation formed under the laws of the State of Ohio, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' entire right, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other valuable considerations to them moving, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee their entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application whose identification above by serial number and filing date, when available is hereby authorized, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

And Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that he has a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to them relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute

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any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009.

Antonio Longo (L.S.)  
Antonio Longo

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Antonio Longo, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

[Signature]  
Notary Public



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(L.S.)  
Michele D'Arcangelo

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Michele D'Arcangelo, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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Notary Public

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any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Antonio Longo (L.S.)

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Antonio Longo, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 18th day of FEBRUARY, 2009.

Michele D'Arcangelo (L.S.)  
Michele D'Arcangelo

STATE OF ITALY )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF // )

**MARCO DE LUCA**  
**NOTAIO**  
00197 Roma - Via L. Respighi, 10  
Tel. 06.8079915 - 06.8075665 - Fax 06.8074999

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 18th day of FEBRUARY, 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Michele D'Arcangelo, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

A) CANCEL "PUBLIC" AND REPLACE: "in Rome" - An approved note -

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2009.

Alessandro Pastorelli (L.S.)  
Alessandro Pastorelli

STATE OF OHIO                    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON        )

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Alessandro Pastorelli, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



VIRGINIA A. VANDENBURG  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission Expires  
December 15, 2013

Virginia A. Vandenburg  
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Federico Bilotti (L.S.)

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Federico Bilotti, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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Notary Public

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alessandro Pastorelli (L.S.)

STATE OF OHIO                    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON        )

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009, before  
me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Alessandro Pastorelli, who I am satisfied is the person  
named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made  
known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the  
same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this  
19th day of FEBRUARY, 2009.

Federico Bilotti (L.S.)  
Federico Bilotti

STATE OF ITALY                    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF                       )

**MARCO DE LUCA**  
NOTAIO  
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BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 19th day of FEBRUARY, 2009, before  
me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Federico Bilotti, who I am satisfied is the person  
named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made  
known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the  
same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

note - CANCEL: "PUBLIC" AND REPLACE: "in Rome" - An approved

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of MARCH, 2009.

Brian James Thompson (L.S.)  
Brian James Thompson

STATE OF OHIO                    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON        )

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Brian James Thompson, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



**VIRGINIA A. VANDENBURG**  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission Expires  
December 15, 2013

Virginia A. Vandenburg  
Notary Public

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