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David C. LINDH SR.	09/28/2011
Jason T. PERKINS	09/28/2011
Dennis L. FURMAN	09/29/2011

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City:	Somerville
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Jesse G. NAWROCKI, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 8 Grace Drive, Annandale, New Jersey 08801; and

David C. LINDH, SR., a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 138 Allens Corner Road, Flemington, New Jersey 08822;

Jason T. PERKINS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 241 Auburn Drive, Easton, Pennsylvania 18042

Dennis L. FURMAN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 3 Amy Drive, East Windsor, New Jersey 08520;

(hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to

BARBED SUTURE HAVING INCREASED HOLDING STRENGTH

for which they have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States Patent and Trademark Office; and

WHEREAS, ETHICON, INC., a corporation of the State of New Jersey, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' entire right, title, and interest therein:

THEREFORE, BEIT KNOWN that for consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other valuable considerations, 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 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 $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{H}}$ day of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{H}}$, 2011

Jeste G. NAWROCKI (L.S.)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)

) ss.

COUNTY OF SOMERSET)

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 26 day of Ser, 2011, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Jesse G. NAWROCKI 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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ROBERT J. TANNHAUSER NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY My Commission Expires 10/18/2014 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this ≥ 8 day of ≤ 7 , 2011

David C. LINDH, SR. (L.S.)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)

) ss.

COUNTY OF SOMERSET)

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this Zerday of Serr, 2011, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared David C. LINDH, SR. 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.

ROBERT J. TANNHAUSER NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY My Commission Expires 10/18/2014

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 29^{7H} day of september, 2011

Jasof T. PERKINS (L.S.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)

) ss.

COUNTY OF SOMERSET)

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 25 day of 2011, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Jason T. PERKINS 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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ROBERT J. TANNHAUSER NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY My Commission Expires 10/18/2014

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 27 day of $5c_{1}$, 2011

Dennis L. FURMAN

(L.S.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)

) ss.

COUNTY OF SOMERSET)

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 20th day of Sept, 2011, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Dennis L. FURMAN 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

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