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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Serial Number..... 15/237,462  
 Filing Date ..... 8/15/2016  
 Inventorship ..... Gary Higginbotham  
 Applicant..... Higginbotham Steel, Inc.  
 Attorney's Docket No. .... H096-0002US  
 Title: BRACING BRACKET SYSTEM

**PATENT ASSIGNMENT**

**PARTIES TO THE ASSIGNMENT**

Assignor(s):

Higginbotham Steel, Inc.  
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Assignee:

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**AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, ASSIGNOR(S) (listed above) are inventor(s) of an invention entitled  
 "BRACING BRACKET SYSTEM " for which:

☐ a provisional application for United States Letters Patent was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 was given U.S. Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and/or

☒ a non-provisional application for United States Letters Patent was:  
☒ filed on 8/15/2016, and was given U.S. Serial No. 15/237,462; or filed  
 concurrently herewith. Assignors hereby authorize and request ASSIGNEE's legal  
 representatives, of Lee & Hayes, PLLC, 601 W Riverside Ave, Suite 1400, Spokane,  
 Washington 99201, who are associated with customer number 29150, to insert in the caption  
 above the serial number and filing date of the patent application when known.

WHEREAS, HDG, INC. (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of  
 Georgia having a place of business at 209 Tidwell, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004 desires to acquire the entire

right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR(S) hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR(S) had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNOR(S) hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNOR(S) agree to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent.

Higginbotham Steel, Inc.

5-29-2018  
Date

  
Gary Higginbotham, President

# STATE OF GEORGIA

## Secretary of State

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## CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT

### NAME CHANGE

I, **Brian P. Kemp**, the Secretary of State and the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Georgia, hereby certify under the seal of my office that

**Higginbotham Steel, Inc.**  
**a Domestic Profit Corporation**

has filed articles/certificate of amendment in the Office of the Secretary of State on 04/09/2018 changing its name to

**HDG, INC.**  
**a Domestic Profit Corporation**

and has paid the required fees as provided by Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of said articles/ certificate of amendment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta  
and the State of Georgia on 04/24/2018.



Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State