

## PATENT ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET

Electronic Version v1.1  
 Stylesheet Version v1.2

Assignment ID: PATI312699

<b>SUBMISSION TYPE:</b>	NEW ASSIGNMENT	
<b>NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:</b>	ASSIGNMENT	
<b>CONVEYING PARTY DATA</b>		
	<b>Name</b>	<b>Execution Date</b>
	Mark Steven Pettinga	10/26/2021
<b>RECEIVING PARTY DATA</b>		
<b>Company Name:</b>	Flexible Steel Lacing Company	
<b>Street Address:</b>	2525 Wisconsin Avenue	
<b>City:</b>	Downers Grove	
<b>State/Country:</b>	ILLINOIS	
<b>Postal Code:</b>	60515	
<b>PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1</b>		
	<b>Property Type</b>	<b>Number</b>
	Application Number:	18198942
<b>CORRESPONDENCE DATA</b>		
<b>Fax Number:</b>	3125777007	
<i>Correspondence will be sent to the e-mail address first; if that is unsuccessful, it will be sent using a fax number, if provided; if that is unsuccessful, it will be sent via US Mail.</i>		
<b>Phone:</b>	(312)577-7000	
<b>Email:</b>	cepping@fitcheven.com	
<b>Correspondent Name:</b>	Stephen S. Favakeh	
<b>Address Line 1:</b>	Fitch, Even, Tabin & Flannery LLP	
<b>Address Line 2:</b>	120 South LaSalle Street, Suite 2100	
<b>Address Line 4:</b>	Chicago, ILLINOIS 60603	
<b>ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER:</b>	6182-157224-US	
<b>NAME OF SUBMITTER:</b>	Carla Epping	
<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	Carla Epping	
<b>DATE SIGNED:</b>	08/16/2024	
<b>Total Attachments: 3</b>		
source=157224_CDA#page1.tiff		
source=157224_CDA#page2.tiff		
source=157224_CDA#page3.tiff		

**COMBINED DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN  
PATENT APPLICATION AND ASSIGNMENT THEREOF**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

The below-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

ROLLER CONVEYOR GAP BLOCKER

*(Title of Invention)*

the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto, or
- ☒ was filed by an authorized person on my behalf on September 20, 2021  
as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number  
17/479,441, and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, including, for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have assigned and do hereby assign and sell, which confirms any previous assignment by me or by operation of law, to Flexible Steel Lacing Company, an Illinois corporation, having its principal place of business at 2525 Wisconsin Avenue, Downers Grove, Illinois, 60515 ("Assignee"), its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the entire right,

title, and interest, in and to all subject matter and improvements invented, made, or conceived by me and described in the application for patent identified above and in and to all patent and all patent convention and treaty rights of all kinds, including the right to claim priority from said application, and all rights in and to any utility model, continuation, continuation-in-part, and divisional application therefrom, and any reissue or re-examination as to any patent issuing therefrom, in all countries throughout the world, for all such subject matter described therein, including all rights of action and rights to recover damages for past infringements.

I agree that on request and without further consideration, I will communicate to the Assignee or its representatives or nominees any facts known to me respecting the inventions and improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, make all rightful oaths, sign all lawful papers, and execute all instruments or documents required or requested for the making and prosecution of any applications of any type for patent, utility model, or other similar rights in all countries including, but not limited to, any provisional, non-provisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, renewal or substitute thereof, for any derivation proceedings relating thereto, and, as to any patents that issue from such applications, for any supplemental examination, derivation proceeding, opposition, post grant review, reissue, re-examination, *inter partes* review, or extension thereof, and generally do everything possible to aid the Assignee, its successors, assigns, and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for the invention and its improvements in all countries.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true.

I hereby acknowledge that any willful false statement made in this declaration is punishable under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both.

Legal Name of Inventor:  
(Given names first, with Family name last)

Mark Steven Pettinga

Inventor's Signature:

  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date:

10/26/21  
\_\_\_\_\_

Inventor's Address:

3820 North Big Spring Drive SW  
Grandville, Michigan 49418  
United States of America