04-10-2001 PTO-1594 3-26-01 RECORDA U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Patent and Tracemark Office o. 0651-0011 (exp. 4 o settings == = ▼ 101671178 To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof. Name of conveying party(ies): 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies) Name: Ames Department Stores, Inc. Bank of America, N.A. Internal Address: (formerly known as BankAmerica Business Credit, Inc. ndividual(s) ☐ Association Street Address: Beneral Partnership Limited Partnership Corporation-State Other ☐ Individual(s) citizenship_ tional name(s) of conveying party(les) attached? 🗆 Yes 🕱 No ☐ Association Vature of conveyance: ☐ General Partnership ☐ Limited Partnership_ ○ Corporation-State Delaware ☐ Assignment □ Merger ☐ Other ☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name ☐ Other Release & Termination of Collateral Assignment If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a comestic representative designation is attached: ☐ Yes ₽ No Feb. 27, 2001 (Designations must be a separate document from assignment) cution Date: Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? 🔾 Yes 👰 No. Application number(s) or patent number(s): A. Trademark Application No.(s) B. Trademark Registration No.(s) 74/575,978 Additional numbers attached?

Yes
No. Name and address of party to whom correspondence 6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: concerning document should be mailed: Name: Laura Konrath 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40 Internal Address: Winston & Strawn Enclosed 33rd Floor Authorized to be charged to deposit account Street Address: _ 35 West Wacker Drive 8. Deposit account number: **ZIP:** 60601 Chicago _State: __IL (Attach dublicate copy of this page if paying by debosit account) 04/10/2001 GTDN11 00000036 745/59/8 DO NOT USE THIS SPACE 01 FC:481 40.00 OP Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and/any attached copy is a true copy of

the original document.

Laura Konrath

Name of Person Signing

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RELEASE AND TERMINATION OF

COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that a certain Collateral Assignment for Security (Trademarks) (the "Collateral Assignment") was executed by Ames Department Stores, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Debtor"), covering the Trademark Registrations and Trademark Applications more fully described on Schedule I annexed hereto and made a part hereof in favor of BankAmerica Business Credit, Inc. (now known as Bank of America, N.A.), as Administrative Agent (the "Secured Party"), dated as of March 1, 1995 and recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 12, 1995 on Reel 1313 Frame 158. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings ascribed to them in the Collateral Assignment.

The Secured Party hereby releases its right, title and interest in the trademark registrations and applications which were pledged, mortgaged and set over to the Secured Party by Debtor pursuant to the Collateral Assignment and terminates the Collateral Assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Release and Termination this 3744 day of FEBRUARY 2001.

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. (formerly known as BankAmerica Business Credit, Inc.), as Administrative Agent

By: Wulff

Name: William J. Wilson Title: Vice President

STATE OF New Jork) ss:

On this 27th day of February 2001 before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared William J. Wilson, who acknowledged himself/herself to be a Nice freedom of Bank of America, N.A., and as such and being authorized to do so, that he/she executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, on behalf of the bank.

Notary Public

My commission expires:

J. SITA RAMNARACE
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01RA6008809
Qualified in Queeris County
Commission Expires June 15, 200 Z.

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SCHEDULE I TO RELEASE AND TERMINATION OF COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT

Trademark	Application or Registration Date	Application Serial No. or <u>Registration No.</u>
1. 55 Gold	September 20, 1994	74-575,978