### INVENTION DISCLOSURE TO ATTORNEY

This form is designed to enable the inventor to provide the patent practitioner (attorney or agent) with pertinent information about his invention in advance of the first meeting. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

The Most Important Questions:

- Has the invention or products made by the invention been sold, offered for sale, publicly disclosed or displayed, subjected to publication, actually sold, advertised, tested with supervision, tested without supervision, or used? If so, notify a patent practitioner/attorney immediately.
- Are any public displays, trade shows, or publications concerning the invention planned? If so, please contact a patent practitioner immediately. Public disclosure, public use, sales or offers for sale, prior to the filing of a patent application can prevent the inventor from being able to obtain enforceable patents in foreign countries.

## **INVENTORSHIP**

Please list the names, addresses (including county), telephone numbers, employers, and citizenships of all persons (do not list companies or corporations as inventors, but do list the names of the employers of inventors) who have made any sort of creative contribution to the invention. Only those persons who conceived of or contributed to the invention may apply for a patent as an inventor.

# **OWNERSHIP**

Does any person or company other than the inventors listed above own any interest or percentage in the invention? If so, the name of that person or company is:

Can any employers, other persons, or other entities claim an interest in the invention? (e.g. have the materials, or machines of an employer been utilized in developing the invention, or was the invention developed during work hours--i.e. "on company time"?). If so, please list the names of these employers:

Have any of the inventors executed an employment agreement with their employers? If so, please attach a copy of the agreement.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Please prepare a written description of the invention, including the most preferred form or design of the invention.

- a) Title:
- b) Short description of the invention (50 words or less please):
- c) Describe, in as much detail as possible, the most preferred form or design of the invention. Attach any photographs, drawings or diagrams.

- d) What other ways might the invention be designed to accomplish the same or similar result?
- e) What sorts of key technical terms could be used to describe the invention?
- f) What are the names of similar products which are currently available on the market?
- g) Please list the features of the invention which were contributed by each inventor:

### **CONCEPTION**

Please list the names of all persons who have witnessed the invention or to whom the invention has been disclosed, including the approximate dates of this disclosure: What was the conception date of the invention (please describe the circumstances surrounding the conception of the invention)?

- It is likely that improvements have been made to the invention since the conception date. Please list the name of each improvement next to the date of each improvement, and attach copies of the first drawings or sketches of these improvements:
- If any experiments or performance test were performed on the invention, please list the dates, the subject of and the nature of these experiments. Include the names of the witnesses or persons involved in the experiments:

## UTILITY OF THE INVENTION

- Identify the uses of the invention, including any commercial or scientific uses of the invention, and the markets in which the invention might be sold:
- Identify the advantages of the invention over other products which attempt to accomplish the same result:

## **PRIOR ART**

The prior art generally includes all other patents, publications, and products in public use or in existence at the time the invention is conceived. Everyone who is substantially involved with the invention has an obligation to disclose to the patent office any relevant prior art of which he is aware both before filing and during the prosecution of the patent application. Failing to do so may result in an unenforceable patent.

If the invention or products made by the invention has been sold, offered for sale, publicly disclosed or displayed, subjected to publication, actually sold, advertised, tested with supervision, or tested without supervision, please provide a detailed description of the circumstances surrounding of each event, the date and location of the event, and the names of all persons involved in or present at the event. Events which occurred earlier than about one year ago should be described in as much detail as possible.

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#### **OBVIOUSNESS**

[This section is optional, but should be nevertheless completed prior to filing a patent application]

Please describe any prior art solutions to the problems the invention solves, overcomes or reduces, including information about how long the problems have existed, how the problems are ordinarily dealt with, and how the invention solves, overcomes, or reduces these problems.

- Attach any related articles published by the inventor(s) and others in this or related fields which might have some bearing on the invention, or which might be helpful for the practitioner to understand the technology.
- Identify any companies or individuals who are producing potentially competing products:
- List any patents or publications which disclose ideas similar to the invention. Attach copies where available.
- Identify any past failures of others in attempting to solve, reduce or overcome the problems which the invention deals with:

## **SIGNATURES**

Please have all inventors sign and date this disclosure. In addition, please have two witnesses who understand how the invention functions sign and date the disclosure:

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