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INVENTION DISCLOSURE

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EXPLANATION OF EACH SECTION OF THE INVENTION DISCLOSURE

1. Title or Subject of Invention:

Decide upon a title for your invention. The title describes the purpose of the invention and preferably alludes to the problem solved by the invention. You can always change the title at a later time.

2. Problem Solved by the Invention

Explain the problem(s) which your invention is intended to solve. Next, describe the currently available devices or processes which are used, or have been used in the past, but which haven't solved the problem(s) you have identified. Explain how your invention solves the identified problem or problems.

3. Sketch or illustration of your invention

Prepare a sketch or illustration of your invention. Even rough sketches will suffice at this time. Prepare different views so that all the important elements of the invention are shown in the drawings. Give each drawing a different figure number.

4. Written Description of the Invention

Referring to the sketch, prepare a written description of your invention. Number the elements of the invention shown on the drawings and refer to those numbered elements in your description. Describe in detail each of the structural elements of the invention and describe how the structural elements function together. Describe in detail how your invention solves the problem you have identified. Describe your invention in enough detail that others understand how to make and use the invention. Be sure to include the best mode you are aware of for practicing or implementing your invention.

5. Advantages of the Invention

Describe all the advantages that will result from the practice of your invention. Describe how your invention solves the problem you described, or reduces the problem. To create the list you might ask yourself: Is my invention more efficient in some way than what was done in the past? Does my invention enable someone to do something that was not easily done before or not possible before? Does it reduce cost in some way? Does it speed up the way in which something can be done? State all of the positive and beneficial attributes of your invention. Do not say anything negative about your invention.

6. Scope of the Invention

Think about your invention broadly. Don't limit your invention to the specific way you have devised to solve the problem you identified. Include in the written description a section describing examples of alternate structures or methods to solve the problem while staying within the same basic concept of your invention. State that your invention is intended to cover other equivalent structures which fall within the concept of your invention.

7. Formal Execution and Witnessing of Written Description

After completing the above, date and sign the bottom or top margin of each page of your description and drawings. Show this written description and drawings to a trusted person (other than a family member) who can understand your invention and explain the workings of your invention to them. Then write read and understood on each page and have that person sign and date the page. Your written description is now a formal conception document.

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