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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

Please record the attached original document or copy thereof.

1. Name and address of conveying party(ies):

*MRS*  
*8-18-98*

Independent Furniture Supply Co., Inc.  
46 Stafford Street  
Lawrence, MA 01840-1609

A Massachusetts corporation.

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

BankBoston, N.A., as Collateral Agent  
100 Federal Street  
Boston, MA 02110

A national banking association.

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached:  Yes

(Designation must be a separate document from Assignment)

3. Nature of conveyance: security agreement.

Execution date: August 14, 1998

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4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):

A. Trademark application number(s)

[See Attached Schedule A]

B. Trademark registration number(s)

[See Attached Schedule B]

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Deidre E. Corkery  
Bingham Dana LLP  
150 Federal Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

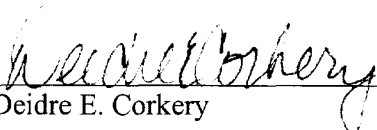
6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 2

7. Total fee enclosed: \$65.00

8. Deposit account number: Not applicable

9. 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.

  
Deidre E. Corkery

Date: 9/17/98

Total number of pages submitted (including cover sheet and any attached Schedules, and conveyance document and any attached Schedules): 18

Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet information to:

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Schedule A

Trademark Application Number(s)  
(Continuation of Item 4A)

<u>Mark</u>	<u>Application Serial Number</u>	<u>Application Filing Date</u>
JACKSON CREEK HOME TEXTILES	75/182,412	

[List in Ascending Numerical Order (Chronologically)]

Schedule B

Trademark Registration Number(s)  
(Continuation of Item 4B)

<u>Mark</u>	<u>Registration Number</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>
JACKSON CREEK AND DESIGN	2,130,401	

[List in Ascending Numerical Order (Chronologically)]

**TRADEMARK COLLATERAL  
SECURITY AND PLEDGE AGREEMENT**

**Independent Furniture Supply Co., Inc.**

**TRADEMARK COLLATERAL SECURITY AND PLEDGE AGREEMENT**, dated as of August 14, 1998 between **INDEPENDENT FURNITURE SUPPLY CO., INC.**, (the "Assignor") and **BANKBOSTON, N.A.**, as collateral agent (hereinafter, in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent") for itself and other financial institutions (hereinafter, collectively, the "Secured Parties").

**WHEREAS**, the Assignor has executed and delivered to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Collateral Agent, an Amended and Restated Security Agreement dated as of the date hereof (as amended and in effect from time to time, the "Security Agreement"), pursuant to which the Assignor has granted to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Collateral Agent, a security interest in certain of the Assignor's personal property, including without limitation the trademarks, service marks, and trademark and service mark registrations listed on Schedule 1 attached hereto, all to secure the payment and performance of the Obligations (as defined in the Security Agreement); and

**WHEREAS**, this Trademark Agreement is supplemental to the provisions contained in the Security Agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises contained herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

**§1. DEFINITIONS.** Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings provided therefor in the Security Agreement. In addition, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth in this §1 or elsewhere in this Trademark Agreement referred to below:

Assignment of Marks. See §2.1.

Associated Goodwill. All goodwill of the Assignor and its business, products and services appurtenant to, associated with or symbolized by the Trademarks and the use thereof.

Pledged Trademarks. All of the Assignor's right, title and interest in and to all of the Trademarks, the Trademark Registrations, the Trademark License Rights, the Trademark Rights, the Associated Goodwill, the Related Assets, and all accessions to, substitutions for, replacements of, and all products and proceeds of any and all of the foregoing.

PTO. The United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Related Assets. All assets, rights and interests of the Assignor that uniquely reflect or embody the Associated Goodwill, including the following:

- (a) all inventions, trade secrets, confidential information, formulae, methods or processes, compounds, recipes, know-how, methods and operating systems, drawings, descriptions, formulations, manufacturing and production and delivery procedures, quality control procedures, product and service specifications, relating to the manufacture, production, delivery, provision and sale of goods or services under or in association with any of the Trademarks; and

(b) the following documents and things in the possession or under the control of the Assignor, or subject to its demand for possession or control, related to the production, delivery, provision and sale by the Assignor, or any affiliate, franchisee, licensee or contractor, of products or services sold by or under the authority of the Assignor in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights, whether prior to, on or subsequent to the date hereof:

(i) all lists, contracts, ancillary documents and other information that identify, describe or provide information with respect to any customers, dealers or distributors of the Assignor, its affiliates or franchisees or licensees or contractors, for products or services sold under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights, including all lists and documents containing information regarding each customer's, dealer's or distributor's name and address, credit, payment, discount, delivery and other sale terms, and history, pattern and total of purchases by brand, product, style, size and quantity;

(ii) all agreements (including franchise agreements), product and service specification documents and operating, production and quality control manuals relating to or used in the design, manufacture, production, delivery, provision and sale of products or services under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights;

(iii) all documents and agreements relating to the identity and locations of all sources of supply, all terms of purchase and delivery, for all materials, components, raw materials and other supplies and services used in the manufacture, production, provision, delivery and sale of products or services under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights; and

(iv) all agreements and documents constituting or concerning the present or future, current or proposed advertising and promotion by the Assignor (or any of its affiliates, franchisees, licensees or contractors) of products or services sold under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights.

Trademark Agreement. This Trademark Collateral Security and Pledge Agreement, as amended and in effect from time to time.

Trademark License Rights. Any and all past, present or future rights and interests of the Assignor pursuant to any and all past, present and future franchising or licensing agreements in favor of the Assignor, or to which the Assignor is a party, pertaining to any Trademarks, Trademark Registrations, or Trademark Rights owned or used by third parties in the past, present or future, including the right (but not the obligation) in the name of the Assignor or the Collateral Agent to enforce, and sue and recover for, any breach or violation of any such agreement to which the Assignor is a party.

Trademark Registrations. All past, present or future federal, state and local registrations of the Trademarks, together with the right (but not the obligation) to apply for such registrations in the name of the Assignor or the Collateral Agent, and to take any and all actions necessary or appropriate to maintain such registrations in effect and renew and extend such registrations.

Trademark Rights. Any and all past, present or future rights in, to and associated with the Trademarks throughout the United States of America, whether arising under federal law, state law, common law or otherwise, including the following: all such rights arising out of or associated with the Trademark Registrations; the right (but not the obligation) to register claims under any state,

federal trademark law or regulation; the right (but not the obligation) to sue or bring opposition or cancellation proceedings in the name of the Assignor or the Collateral Agent for any and all past, present and future infringements or dilution of or any other damages or injury to the Trademarks, the Trademark Rights, or the Associated Goodwill, and the rights to damages or profits due or accrued arising out of or in connection with any such past, present or future infringement, dilution, damage or injury; and the Trademark License Rights.

Trademarks. All of the trademarks, service marks, designs, logos, indicia, trade names, corporate names, company names, business names, fictitious business names, trade styles, elements of package or trade dress, and other source and product or service identifiers, used or associated with or appurtenant to the products, services and businesses of the Assignor that are set forth on Schedule 1 attached hereto.

use. With respect to any Trademark, all uses of such Trademark by, for or in connection with the Assignor or its business or for the direct or indirect benefit of the Assignor or its business, including all such uses by the Assignor itself, by any of the affiliates of the Assignor, or by any franchisee, licensee or contractor of the Assignor.

## **§2. GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST.**

**§2.1. Security Interest; Assignment of Marks.** As collateral security for the payment and performance in full of all of the Obligations, the Assignor hereby unconditionally grants to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Collateral Agent, a continuing security interest in and first priority lien on the Pledged Trademarks, and pledges and mortgages (but does not transfer title to) the Pledged Trademarks to the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Collateral Agent. In addition, the Assignor has executed in blank and delivered to the Collateral Agent an assignment of federally registered trademarks in substantially the form of Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Assignment of Marks"). The Assignor hereby authorizes the Collateral Agent to complete as assignee and record with the PTO the Assignment of Marks upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and the proper exercise of the Collateral Agent's remedies under this Trademark Agreement and the Security Agreement.

**§2.2. Conditional Assignment.** In addition to, and not by way of limitation of, the grant, pledge and mortgage of the Pledged Trademarks provided in §2.1 hereof, the Assignor grants, assigns, transfers, conveys and sets over to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Collateral Agent, the Assignor's entire right, title and interest in and to the Pledged Trademarks; provided that such grant, assignment, transfer and conveyance shall be and become of force and effect only (a) upon or after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and (b) either (i) upon the written demand of the Collateral Agent at any time during such continuance or (ii) immediately and automatically (without notice or action of any kind by the Collateral Agent) upon an Event of Default for which acceleration of amounts outstanding is automatic under the Debt Agreements or upon the sale or other disposition of or foreclosure upon the Collateral pursuant to the Security Agreement and applicable law (including the transfer or other disposition of the Collateral by the Assignor to the Collateral Agent or its nominee in lieu of foreclosure).

**§2.3. Supplemental to Security Agreement.** Pursuant to the Security Agreement the Assignor has granted to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Collateral Agent, a continuing security interest in and lien on the Collateral (including the Pledged Trademarks). The Security Agreement, and all rights and interests of the Collateral Agent in and to the Collateral (including the Pledged Trademarks) thereunder, are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects. In no event shall this Trademark Agreement, the grant, assignment, transfer and conveyance of the Pledged Trademarks hereunder, or the recordation of this Trademark Agreement



(or any document hereunder) with the PTO, adversely affect or impair, in any way or to any extent, the Security Agreement, the security interest of the Collateral Agent in the Collateral (including the Pledged Trademarks) pursuant to the Security Agreement and this Trademark Agreement, the attachment and perfection of such security interest under the Uniform Commercial Code (including the security interest in the Pledged Marks), or any present or future rights and interests of the Collateral Agent in and to the Collateral under or in connection with the Security Agreement, this Trademark Agreement or the Uniform Commercial Code. Any and all rights and interests of the Collateral Agent in and to the Pledged Trademarks (and any and all obligations of the Assignor with respect to the Pledged Trademarks) provided herein, or arising hereunder or in connection herewith, shall only supplement and be cumulative and in addition to the rights and interests of the Collateral Agent (and the obligations of the Assignor) in, to or with respect to the Collateral (including the Pledged Trademarks) provided in or arising under or in connection with the Security Agreement and shall not be in derogation thereof.

**§3. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS.** The Assignor represents, warrants and covenants that: (a) Schedule 1 sets forth a true and complete list of all Trademarks and Trademark Registrations which constitute Collateral under the Security Agreement; (b) the Trademarks and Trademark Registrations are subsisting and have not been adjudged invalid or unenforceable, in whole or in part, and there is no litigation or proceeding pending concerning the validity or enforceability of the Trademarks or Trademark Registrations; (c) to the best of the Assignor's knowledge, each of the Trademarks and Trademark Registrations is valid and enforceable; (d) the Assignor has a system in place for monitoring potential infringements and misuse by others of the Trademarks, Trademark Registrations or Trademark Rights and the Assignor will maintain such system in a manner consistent with its past practices; (e) no claim has been made that the use of any of the Trademarks does or may violate the rights of any third person, and to the best of the Assignor's knowledge, there is no infringement by the Assignor of the trademark rights of others; (f) the Assignor is the sole and exclusive owner of the entire and unencumbered right, title and interest in and to each of the Trademarks (other than ownership and other rights reserved by third party owners with respect to Trademarks that the Assignor is licensed to use), free and clear of any liens, charges, encumbrances and adverse claims, including pledges, assignments, licenses, registered user agreements and covenants by the Assignor not to sue third persons, other than the security interest and assignment created by the Security Agreement and this Trademark Agreement; (g) the Assignor has the unqualified right to enter into this Trademark Agreement and to perform its terms; (h) the Assignor has used, and will continue to use, proper statutory and other appropriate proprietary notices in connection with its use of the Trademarks; (i) the Assignor has used, and will continue to use for the duration of this Trademark Agreement, consistent standards of quality in its manufacture and provision of products and services sold or provided under the Trademarks; (j) this Trademark Agreement, together with the Security Agreement, will create in favor of the Agent a valid, perfected and, to the knowledge of the Assignor, first priority security interest in the Pledged Trademarks upon making the filings referred to in clause (k) of this §3; and (k) except for the filing of financing statements with the Secretary of the State for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the towns or city clerks of Lawrence, Massachusetts and Methuen, Massachusetts/State of Vermont and the city clerk of Burlington, Vermont under the Uniform Commercial Code and the recording of this Trademark Agreement with the PTO, no authorization, approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental or regulatory authority, agency or office is required either (i) for the grant by the Assignor or the effectiveness of the security interest and assignment granted hereby or for the execution, delivery and performance of this Trademark Agreement by the Assignor, or (ii) for the perfection of or the exercise by the Agent of any of its rights and remedies hereunder.

**§4. NO TRANSFER OR INCONSISTENT AGREEMENTS.** Without the Collateral Agent's prior written consent and except for licenses of the Pledged Trademarks in the ordinary course of the Assignor's business consistent with its past practices, the Assignor will not (a)

mortgage, pledge, assign, encumber, grant a security interest in, transfer, license or alienate any of the Pledged Trademarks, or (b) enter into any agreement (for example, a license agreement) that is inconsistent with the Assignor's obligations under this Trademark Agreement or the Security Agreement.

**§5. TRADEMARK DEFENSE.**

**§5.1. Assignor Responsible.** The Assignor shall assume full and complete responsibility for the defense, enforcement or any other necessary or desirable actions in connection with the Pledged Trademarks, and shall hold each of the Collateral Agent and the Secured Parties harmless from any and all costs, damages, liabilities and expenses that may be incurred by the Collateral Agent or any Secured Party in connection with the Collateral Agent's interest in the Pledged Trademarks or any other action or failure to act in connection with this Trademark Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

**§5.2. Assignor's Duties, Etc.** The Assignor shall have the right and the duty to preserve and maintain all rights in the Trademarks and Trademark Registrations, including the filing of appropriate renewal applications and other instruments to maintain in effect the Trademark Registrations and the payment when due of all registration renewal fees and other fees, taxes and other expenses that shall be incurred or that shall accrue with respect to any of the Trademarks or Trademark Registrations. Any expenses incurred in connection with such renewal applications and actions shall be borne by the Assignor. The Assignor shall not abandon any Trademark Registration or Trademark, without the consent of the Collateral Agent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

**§5.3. Assignor's Enforcement Rights.** The Assignor shall have the right and the duty (except in such cases as the Assignor in the exercise of its business judgment determines, with the consent of the Collateral Agent, such consent not unreasonably to be withheld, not to bring such suit or action) to bring suit or other action in the Assignor's own name to maintain and enforce the Trademarks, the Trademark Registrations and the Trademark Rights. The Assignor may require the Collateral Agent to join in such suit or action as necessary to assure the Assignor's ability to bring and maintain any such suit or action in any proper forum if (but only if) the Collateral Agent is completely satisfied that such joinder will not subject the Collateral Agent or any Secured Party to any risk of liability. The Assignor shall promptly, upon demand, reimburse and indemnify the Collateral Agent for all damages, costs and expenses, including legal fees, incurred by the Agent pursuant to this §5.3.

**§5.4. Protection of Trademarks, Etc.** In general, the Assignor shall take any and all such actions (including institution and maintenance of suits, proceedings or actions) as may be necessary or appropriate to properly maintain, protect, preserve, care for and enforce the Pledged Trademarks. The Assignor shall not take or fail to take any action, nor permit any action to be taken or not taken by others under its control, that would adversely affect the validity, grant or enforcement of the Pledged Trademarks.

**§5.5. Notification by Assignor.** Promptly upon obtaining knowledge thereof, the Assignor will notify the Collateral Agent in writing of the institution of, or any final adverse determination in, any proceeding in the PTO or any similar office or agency of the United States or any foreign country, or any court, regarding the validity of any of the Trademarks or Trademark Registrations or the Assignor's rights, title or interests in and to the Pledged Trademarks, and of any event that does or reasonably could materially adversely affect the value of any of the Pledged Trademarks, the ability of the Assignor or the Collateral Agent to dispose of any of the Pledged Trademarks or the rights and remedies of the Collateral Agent in relation thereto (including but not limited to the levy of any legal process against any of the Pledged Trademarks).

**§6. REMEDIES.** Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, the Collateral Agent shall have, in addition to all other rights and remedies given it by this Trademark Agreement (including, without limitation, those set forth in the Security Agreement and the Debt Agreements), those allowed by law and the rights and remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code as enacted in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Collateral Agent may immediately, without demand of performance and without other notice (except as set forth next below) or demand whatsoever to the Assignor, all of which are hereby expressly waived, sell or license at public or private sale or otherwise realize upon the whole or from time to time any part of the Pledged Trademarks, or any interest that the Assignor may have therein, and after deducting from the proceeds of sale or other disposition of the Pledged Trademarks all expenses incurred by the Collateral Agent in attempting to enforce this Trademark Agreement (including all reasonable expenses for broker's fees and legal services), shall apply the residue of such proceeds toward the payment of the Obligations as set forth in the Intercreditor Agreement. Notice of any sale, license or other disposition of the Pledged Trademarks shall be given to the Assignor at least five (5) days before the time that any intended public sale or other public disposition of the Pledged Trademarks is to be made or after which any private sale or other private disposition of the Pledged Trademarks may be made, which the Assignor hereby agrees shall be reasonable notice of such public or private sale or other disposition. At any such sale or other disposition, the Collateral Agent may, to the extent permitted under applicable law, purchase or license the whole or any part of the Pledged Trademarks or interests therein sold, licensed or otherwise disposed of.

**§7. COLLATERAL PROTECTION.** If the Assignor shall fail to do any act that it has covenanted to do hereunder, or if any representation or warranty of the Assignor shall be breached, the Collateral Agent, in its own name or that of the Assignor (in the sole discretion of the Collateral Agent), may (but shall not be obligated to) do such act or remedy such breach (or cause such act to be done or such breach to be remedied), and the Assignor agrees promptly to reimburse the Collateral Agent for any cost or expense incurred by the Collateral Agent in so doing.

**§8. POWER OF ATTORNEY.** If any Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Assignor does hereby make, constitute and appoint the Collateral Agent (and any officer or agent of the Collateral Agent as the Collateral Agent may select in its exclusive discretion) as the Assignor's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution and with the power to endorse the Assignor's name on all documents, papers and instruments necessary for the Collateral Agent to use the Pledged Trademarks, or to grant or issue any exclusive or nonexclusive license of any of the Pledged Trademarks to any third person, or to take any and all actions necessary for the Collateral Agent to assign, pledge, convey or otherwise transfer title in or dispose of any of the Pledged Trademarks or any interest of the Assignor therein to any third person, and, in general, to execute and deliver any instruments or documents and do all other acts that the Assignor is obligated to execute and do hereunder. The Assignor hereby ratifies all that such attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof and releases each of the Collateral Agent and the Secured Parties from any claims, liabilities, causes of action or demands arising out of or in connection with any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Collateral Agent under this power of attorney (except for the Collateral Agent's gross negligence or willful misconduct). This power of attorney is coupled with an interest and shall be irrevocable for the duration of this Trademark Agreement.

**§9. FURTHER ASSURANCES.** The Assignor shall, at any time and from time to time, and at its expense, make, execute, acknowledge and deliver, and file and record as necessary or appropriate with governmental or regulatory authorities, agencies or offices, such agreements, assignments, documents and instruments, and do such other and further acts and things (including, without limitation, obtaining consents of third parties), as the Collateral Agent may request or as may be necessary or appropriate in order to implement and effect fully the intentions, purposes and

provisions of this Trademark Agreement, or to assure and confirm to the Collateral Agent the grant, perfection and priority of the Collateral Agent's security interest in the Pledged Trademarks.

**§10. TERMINATION.** At such time as the security interest granted by the Assignor pursuant to the Security Agreement is terminated, this Trademark Agreement shall terminate and the Collateral Agent shall, upon the written request and at the expense of the Assignor, execute and deliver to the Assignor all deeds, assignments and other instruments as may be necessary or proper to reassign and reconvey to and re-vest in the Assignor the entire right, title and interest to the Pledged Trademarks previously granted, assigned, transferred and conveyed to the Collateral Agent by the Assignor pursuant to this Trademark Agreement, as fully as if this Trademark Agreement had not been made, subject to any disposition of all or any part thereof that may have been made by the Collateral Agent pursuant hereto or the Security Agreement.

**§11. COURSE OF DEALING.** No course of dealing between the Assignor and the Collateral Agent, nor any failure to exercise, nor any delay in exercising, on the part of the Agent, any right, power or privilege hereunder or under the Security Agreement or any other agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder or thereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege.

**§12. EXPENSES.** Any and all fees, costs and expenses, of whatever kind or nature, including the reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Collateral Agent in connection with the preparation of this Trademark Agreement and all other documents relating hereto, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or the enforcement hereof, the filing or recording of any documents (including all taxes in connection therewith) in public offices, the payment or discharge of any taxes, counsel fees, maintenance or renewal fees, encumbrances, or otherwise protecting, maintaining or preserving the Pledged Trademarks, or in defending or prosecuting any actions or proceedings arising out of or related to the Pledged Trademarks, shall be borne and paid by the Assignor.

**§13. OVERDUE AMOUNTS.** Until the earlier of (i) payment of all amounts due and payable by the Assignor hereunder and (ii) the Release Date, such amounts shall be a debt secured by the Pledged Trademarks and other Collateral and shall bear, whether before or after judgment, interest at the rate of interest for overdue principal set forth in the Credit Agreement.

**§13.1. NO ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION.**  
**NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY CONTAINED HEREIN, NEITHER THE COLLATERAL AGENT NOR ANY SECURED PARTY ASSUMES ANY LIABILITIES OF THE ASSIGNOR WITH RESPECT TO ANY CLAIM OR CLAIMS REGARDING THE ASSIGNOR'S OWNERSHIP OR PURPORTED OWNERSHIP OF, OR RIGHTS OR PURPORTED RIGHTS ARISING FROM, ANY OF THE PLEDGED TRADEMARKS OR ANY USE, LICENSE OR SUBLICENSE THEREOF, WHETHER ARISING OUT OF ANY PAST, CURRENT OR FUTURE EVENT, CIRCUMSTANCE, ACT OR OMISSION OR OTHERWISE. ALL OF SUCH LIABILITIES SHALL BE EXCLUSIVELY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ASSIGNOR, AND THE ASSIGNOR SHALL INDEMNIFY THE COLLATERAL AGENT AND THE SECURED PARTIES FOR ANY AND ALL COSTS, EXPENSES, DAMAGES AND CLAIMS, INCLUDING LEGAL FEES, INCURRED BY THE COLLATERAL AGENT OR ANY SECURED PARTY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH LIABILITIES.**

**§14. GOVERNING LAW; CONSENT TO JURISDICTION.** THIS TRADEMARK AGREEMENT IS INTENDED TO TAKE EFFECT AS A SEALED INSTRUMENT AND SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND, AS APPLICABLE, THE FEDERAL


**LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.** The Assignor agrees that any suit for the enforcement of this Trademark Agreement may be brought in the courts of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts sitting in Boston, Massachusetts or any federal court sitting in Boston, Massachusetts and consents to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of such court and to service of process in any such suit being made upon the Assignor by mail at the address specified in the Security Agreement. The Assignor hereby waives any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the venue of any such suit or any such court or that such suit is brought in an inconvenient court.

**§15. MISCELLANEOUS.** The headings of each section of this Trademark Agreement are for convenience only and shall not define or limit the provisions thereof. This Trademark Agreement and all rights and obligations hereunder shall be binding upon the Assignor and its respective successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the Collateral Agent, the Secured Parties and their respective successors and assigns. In the event of any irreconcilable conflict between the provisions of this Trademark Agreement and the Security Agreement, the provisions of the Security Agreement shall control. If any term of this Trademark Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity of all other terms hereof shall in no way be affected thereby, and this Trademark Agreement shall be construed and be enforceable as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable term had not been included herein. The Assignor acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Trademark Agreement.


[Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Trademark Agreement has been executed as of the day and year first above written.

INDEPENDENT FURNITURE SUPPLY CO., INC.

By:   
Name: Wesley F. Rydin  
Title: Treasurer

BANKBOSTON, N.A., as Collateral Agent

By:   
Name:  
Title: ROBERT S. ALLEN  
DIRECTOR

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK )

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the county aforesaid, on this 14th day of August, 1998, personally appeared Wesley Rydin to me known personally, and who, being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the President of Independent Furniture Supply Co., Inc., and that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and said Wesley Rydin acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.



ELIZABETH T. KELSEN  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires October 12, 2001

**ASSIGNMENT OF TRADEMARKS AND SERVICE MARKS (U.S.)**

**WHEREAS, INDEPENDENT FURNITURE SUPPLY CO., INC.**, (the "Assignor"), has adopted and used and is using the trademarks and service marks (the "Marks") identified on the Annex hereto, and is the owner of the registrations of and pending registration applications for such Marks in the United States Patent and Trademark Office identified on such Annex; and

**WHEREAS**, \_\_\_\_\_, (the "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the Marks and the registrations thereof and registration applications therefor;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor does hereby assign, sell and transfer unto the Assignee all right, title and interest in and to the Marks, together with (a) the registrations of and registration applications for the Marks, (b) the goodwill of the business symbolized by and associated with the Marks and the registrations thereof, and (c) the right to sue and recover for, and the right to profits or damages due or accrued arising out of or in connection with, any and all past, present or future infringements or dilution of or damage or injury to the Marks or the registrations thereof or such associated goodwill.

This Assignment of Trademarks and Service Marks (U.S.) is intended to and shall take effect as a sealed instrument at such time as the Assignee shall complete this instrument by inserting its name in the second paragraph above and signing its acceptance of this Assignment of Trademarks and Service Marks (U.S.) below.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Assignor, by its duly authorized officer, has executed this assignment, as an instrument under seal, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 199\_.

**INDEPENDENT FURNITURE SUPPLY CO., INC.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title:

The foregoing assignment of the Marks and the registrations thereof and registration applications therefor by the Assignor to the Assignee is hereby accepted as of the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 199\_.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title:

