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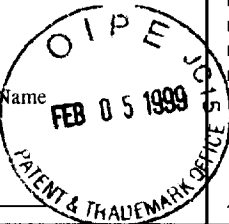
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<p>4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):</p> <p>A. Trademark Application No.(s)</p>	<p>B. Trademark registration No.(s)</p> <p>U.S. REGISTRATION NO. 915,153 U.S. REGISTRATION NO. 1,132,644</p> <p>Additional numbers attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Roberta S. Bren OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C. Attorneys at Law Fourth Floor 1755 Jefferson Davis Highway Arlington, Virginia 22202</p> <p>OSMMN Ref: 9871/0003/35SD</p>	<p>6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: <u>2</u></p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): . . . \$ <u>65.00</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account</p> <p>8. Deposit account number: <u>15-0030</u> (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)</p>
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CONFIRMATORY TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

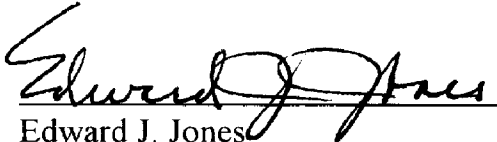
THIS CONFIRMATORY TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT, by and between BCR, Inc., a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 1105 North Market Street, Suite 1300, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 (hereinafter referred to as "Assignor"), and Arterial Vascular Engineering, Inc., a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 3576 Unocal Place, Santa Rosa, California 95403 (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee").

WITNESSETH: WHEREAS, Assignor was the owner of the trademark USCI and U.S. Registration No. 915,153 dated June 15, 1971 for USCI, and U.S. Registration No. 1,132,644 dated April 8, 1980 for USCI and Design; WHEREAS, Assignee was desirous of acquiring Assignor's right, title and interest in the trademark USCI and U.S. Registration No. 915,153 dated June 15, 1971 for USCI, and U.S. Registration No. 1,132,644 dated April 8, 1980 for USCI and Design, together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by said trademark;

WHEREAS, on or about October 1, 1998, Assignor did assign to Assignee any and all right, title and interest Assignor had in and to the trademark USCI, together with U.S. Registration Nos. 915,153 for USCI and 1,132,644 for USCI and Design and the goodwill of the business symbolized by said trademark;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor does hereby reaffirm and re-ratify the Assignment of the trademark USCI and U.S. Registration Nos. 915,153 for USCI and 1,132,644 for USCI and Design together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by the trademark, as of October 1, 1998, the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee and its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this Assignment had not been made. Assignor further covenants and agrees that it will, whenever requested, but without cost to itself, execute any and all papers that may be reasonably necessary to enable Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees or assigns to secure and record title to said trademark and trade name.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto executed this Confirmatory Trademark Assignment this 26th day of January, 1999.

By: 
Edward J. Jones
Title: President
Date: January 26, 1999