

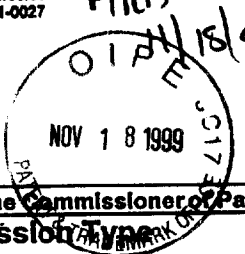
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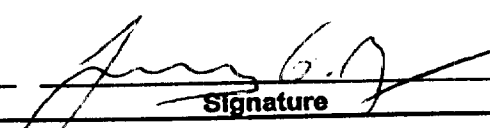
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IN THE MATTER OF

Trademark **INDEPENDENCE** and  
Design

Registration No.: 415696

Dated: August 14, 1945

APPOINTMENT OF DOMESTIC REPRESENTATIVE

Ladas & Parry, whose postal address is 26 West 61st Street, New York, New York 10023, United States of America, is hereby designated applicant's representative upon whom notices or process in proceedings affecting the mark may be served.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Applicant hereby revokes all previous Powers of Attorney and hereby appoints jointly and severally, with full power of substitution, the power of appointment of an associate attorney and the power of revocation:

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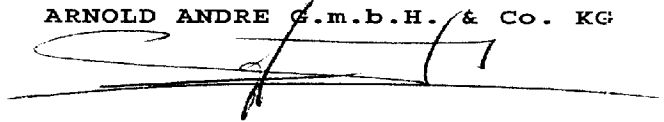
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members of the Bar of the State of New York, c/o Ladas & Parry, 26 West 61st Street, New York, New York 10023, United States of America, to transact all business in the Patent Office in connection with the subject registration.

ARNOLD ANDRE G.m.b.H. & Co. KG



By J.W.D. van den Berg  
(Managing Director) [Title]

09. November 1999  
(Date)

A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, Diamond Brands Operating Corp., a Delaware corporation with an office at 1800 Cloquet Avenue, Cloquet, Minnesota 55720 (hereinafter, "Diamond Brands") has adopted and used the trademarks registered in the United States Patent and Trademark Office:

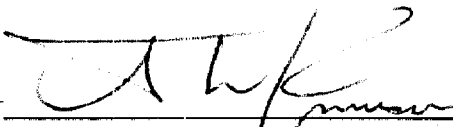
INDEPENDENCE and Design	415,696
INDEPENDENCE	1,049,176

AND WHEREAS, Arnold Andre G.m.b.H. & Co. KG, a partnership organized under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, located at Moltkestrasse 10-18, 32257 Bunde, Federal Republic of Germany (hereinafter, "Arnold Andre") is desirous of acquiring the right, title and interest in and to the said trademarks and the registrations thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Diamond Brands, by these presents, does sell, assign and transfer unto Arnold Andre, its successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the said trademarks and registrations thereof, together with that part of the goodwill of Diamond Brand's business connected with the use of and symbolized by the said trademarks.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Diamond Brands has hereunto executed this instrument this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1999.

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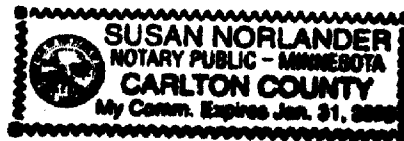
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Title: VP/CS

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On this *1<sup>st</sup>* day of *September* 19*99*, before me personally appeared *Thomas Knuesel* to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she is the *Vice President / CFO* of the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he/she knows the seal of said corporation; that the said seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he/she signed his/her name thereto by like order.

*Susan Norlander*  
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Notary Public



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S C H E D U L E

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