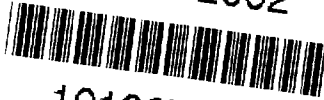


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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies): BUCA, Inc. **10-29-01**

Individual(s) Association
 General Partnership Limited Partnership
 Corporation-Minnesota
 Other _____

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)
 Name: Bank of America, N.A.
 Internal Address: IL1-231-06-13
 Street Address: 231 South LaSalle Street
 City: Chicago State: IL ZIP: 60697

Individual(s) _____
 Association _____
 General Partnership _____
 Limited Partnership _____
 Corporation-State _____
 Other National Banking Association

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: Yes No
 (Designations must be a separate document from Assignment)
 Additional name(s) & address(es) attached Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance:

Assignment Merger
 Security Agreement Change of Name
 Other: Collateral Assignment of Trademarks

Execution Date: August 28, 2001

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

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| A. Trademark Application No.(s) | | | B. Trademark Registration No.(s) | |
| <u>76/193,829</u> | <u>76/193,828</u> | <u>76/295,940</u> | <u>2,139,003</u> | <u>2,133,290</u> |
| <u>76/296,920</u> | <u>76/246,241</u> | <u>76/246,630</u> | <u>2,058,534</u> | |
| <u>76/296,608</u> | <u>76/194,416</u> | <u>76/194,415</u> | | |
| <u>76/194,414</u> | <u>76/193,827</u> | | | |

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

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

Name: Elizabeth C. Buckingham

Internal Address: Dorsey & Whitney LLP

Street Address: 220 South Sixth Street

City: Minneapolis State: MN ZIP: 55402

6. Total Number of applications and registrations involved: 14

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41). \$365.00

Enclosed

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8. Deposit account number:
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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.

Elizabeth C. Buckingham Elizabeth C. Buckingham October 28, 2001
 Name of person Signing Signature Date

Total number of pages comprising cover sheet: 1

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TRADEMARK
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COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT OF TRADEMARKS

This COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT OF TRADEMARKS (the "Assignment"), dated as of August 28, 2001, is made and given by BUCA, INC., a Minnesota corporation (the "Assignor"), to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., a national banking association (the "Assignee"), as agent for the banks (the "Banks") from time to time party to the Credit Agreement defined below.

RECITALS

A. The Assignor, Bank of America, N.A., a national banking association, as Agent and as one of the Banks, Fleet National Bank, a national banking association, as one of the Banks, and Branch Banking and Trust Company, a North Carolina banking corporation, as one of the Banks, have entered into a Credit Agreement dated as of August 28, 2001 (as the same may hereafter be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement") pursuant to which the Banks party to the Credit Agreement from time to time extend to the Assignor certain credit accommodations.

B. It is a condition precedent to the obligation of the Assignee and the Banks to extend credit accommodations pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement that this Assignment be executed and delivered by the Assignor.

C. The Assignor has pledged and granted to the Assignee for itself and the benefit of the Banks a security interest in the property described in a Security Agreement of even date herewith (as the same may be amended, supplemented, extended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Security Agreement") by and between Assignor and Assignee, which property includes general intangibles, including, without limitation, applications for patents, applications for trademarks, trademarks, trade names, copyrights, patents, inventions and trade secrets.

D. In order to induce the Assignee and the Banks to enter into the Credit Agreement and extend the credit accommodations to the Assignor thereunder, and in order to secure the payment and performance of (i) all liabilities and obligations of the Assignor to the Assignee and the Banks arising under the Credit Agreement, whether now existing or hereafter arising; and (ii) all liabilities and obligations of the Assignor to the Assignee and the Banks under the Security Agreement or any other Loan Document (as such term is defined in the Credit Agreement), whether now existing or hereafter at any time arising (the liabilities and obligations set forth in the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) being hereinafter referred to as the "Obligations"), the Assignor is willing to enter into this Assignment.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and to induce the Assignee and the Banks to extend credit accommodations under the Credit Agreement, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The Assignor does hereby assign all of its right, title and interest in and to all of the present trademarks and trade names and the registrations and applications therefor owned by the Assignor (the "Trademarks"), including but not limited to those set forth on Exhibit A hereto, and including, without limitation, all proceeds thereof together with the right to recover for past, present and future infringements, all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world and all renewals and extensions thereof, together with the goodwill of the business associated with said Trademarks to the Assignee for itself and the benefit of the Banks, said Trademarks to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, and for its legal representatives, successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the Assignor had this Assignment not been made. The foregoing assignment shall be effective only upon the occurrence of an Event of Default under the Credit Agreement and upon written notice by the Assignee to the Assignor during the continuance of such Event of Default of the acceptance by the Assignee of this Assignment, which written notice shall constitute conclusive proof of such acceptance.

2. The Assignor hereby covenants and warrants that:

(a) to the best of the Assignor's knowledge, the Trademarks listed on Exhibit A hereto are subsisting and have not been adjudged invalid or unenforceable, in whole or in part;

(b) to the best of the Assignor's knowledge, each of the Trademarks listed on Exhibit A hereto is valid and enforceable;

(c) except as set forth in Schedule 4.12 to the Credit Agreement, no pending claim has been made to the Assignor or, to the knowledge of the Assignor, to any other person, that use of any of the Trademarks does or may violate the rights of any third person and no pending claim has been made by the Assignor that any other person is infringing upon the rights of the Assignor under the Trademarks;

(d) the Assignor will be, until the Obligations shall have been satisfied in full and the Loan Documents shall have been terminated, in substantial compliance with statutory notice requirements relating to its use of the Trademarks;

(e) except as set forth in Schedule 4.12 to the Credit Agreement, to the best of the Assignor's knowledge, the Assignor is the sole and exclusive owner of the entire and unencumbered right, title and interest in and to each of the Trademarks listed on Exhibit A hereto, free and clear of any liens, charges and encumbrances, including without limitation, licenses and covenants by the Assignor not to sue third persons, except the interests of the Assignee under, and the liens created under, this Agreement, liens, charges and encumbrances permitted by the Credit Agreement and licenses listed on Exhibit B hereto;

(f) the Trademarks listed on Exhibit A hereto are all of the Trademarks registrations and applications therefor now owned by the Assignor; and

(g) the Assignor will, at any time upon request of the Assignee, communicate to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts relating to the Trademarks or the history thereof as may be known to the Assignor or its officers, employees and agents, and cause such officers, employees and agents to testify as to the same in any infringement or other litigation at the request of the Assignee.

3. The Assignor agrees that, until the rights of the Assignee in the Trademarks are terminated pursuant to Section 6, it will not enter into any agreement that is inconsistent with its obligations under this Assignment.

4. If, before the Obligations shall have been satisfied in full, the Assignor shall obtain rights to any new trademark or trade name, or become entitled to the benefit of any trademark application, registration, trademark or trade name or any renewal or extension of any trademark registration, such shall be included in the definition of "Trademarks" as used in this Assignment. Section 1 hereof shall automatically apply thereto and the Assignor shall give to the Assignee prompt notice thereof in writing. The Assignor authorizes the Assignee to modify this Assignment, without the consent of the Assignor, by amending Exhibit A hereto to include any future trademark or trade name.

5. The Assignor agrees not to sell, assign or encumber its interest in, or grant any license with respect to, any of the Trademarks, except for the licenses listed on Exhibit B hereto or otherwise with the Assignee's prior written consent, and except as permitted by Section 6.2 or 6.14 of the Credit Agreement. Upon any sale or assignment of any of the Trademarks permitted by Section 6.2 of the Credit Agreement, such Trademarks shall be considered, automatically and without any further action on the part of the Assignor or the Assignee, to be released from the interests of the Assignee under, and the lien of, this Agreement, and the Assignee shall, upon the request and at the expense of the Assignor, execute and deliver to the Assignor such documents, in recordable form, as the Assignor shall reasonably request evidencing such release.

6. The Assignor agrees that it will authorize, execute and deliver to Assignee all documents reasonably requested by Assignee to facilitate the purposes of this Assignment, including but not limited to documents required to record Assignee's interest in any appropriate office in any domestic or foreign jurisdiction. At such time as the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall have been terminated in accordance with their terms, the Assignee shall on demand of the Assignor execute and deliver to the Assignor all termination statements and other instruments as may be necessary or proper to terminate this Assignment and assign to the Assignor all the Assignee's rights in the Trademarks, subject to any disposition thereof which may have been made by the Assignee pursuant to this Assignment or the Loan Documents.

7. The Assignor shall have the duty, through counsel reasonably acceptable to the Assignee, (i) to prosecute diligently any pending Trademark application as of the date of this Assignment or thereafter until the Credit Agreement and the Loan Documents shall have been terminated in accordance with their terms; provided, that, subject to the final sentence of

this Section 7, the Assignor may abandon any such application upon thirty days' written notice to the Assignee, (ii) to make application on those trademarks and tradenames which are unregistered but capable of being registered and which a prudent person would reasonably cause to be registered and (iii) to preserve and maintain all rights in all Trademarks which a prudent person would reasonably preserve and maintain. Any expenses incurred in connection with applications that constitute Trademarks shall be borne by the Assignor. The Assignor shall not abandon any application presently pending that constitutes a Trademark without the written consent of the Assignee, unless under circumstances in which a prudent person would determine so to abandon such application.

8. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, the Assignee shall have the right but shall in no way be obligated to bring suit in its own name or the name of the Assignor to enforce or to defend the Trademarks and any license thereunder if the Assignor has failed to bring such suit in circumstances in which a prudent person would have brought such suit. The Assignor shall at the request of the Assignee do any and all lawful acts and execute any and all proper documents reasonably required by the Assignee in aid of such enforcement or defense (including without limitation participation as a plaintiff or defendant in any proceeding) and the Assignor shall promptly, upon demand, reimburse and indemnify the Assignee for all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Assignee in the exercise of its rights under this Section, including reasonable attorneys fees and expenses.

9. This Assignment shall also serve to evidence the security interest in the Trademarks granted by the Assignor to the Assignee for itself and the benefit of the Banks pursuant to the Security Agreement.

10. No course of dealing with the Assignor and the Assignee, failure to exercise, nor any delay in exercising, on the part of the Assignee, any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege.

11. All of the Assignee's rights and remedies with respect to the Trademarks, whether established hereby, by any other agreements or by law shall be cumulative and may be exercised singularly or concurrently.

12. This Assignment is subject to modification only by a writing signed by the parties, except as provided in Section 4 hereof.

13. This Assignment shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by and binding upon the Assignee and its successors, transferees and assigns, and the Assignor and its successors and assigns.

14. This Assignment and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws (without giving effect to the conflicts of law principles thereof) of (i) any state as to rights or interests hereunder which arise under the laws of such state, (ii) the United States of America as to rights and interests hereunder which are registered or for the registration of which application is pending with the United States

Patent and Trademark Office and (iii) the State of Illinois in all other respects. Whenever possible, each provision of this Assignment and any other statement, instrument or transaction contemplated hereby or relating hereto shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Assignment or any other statement, instrument or transaction contemplated hereby or relating hereto shall be held to be prohibited or invalid under applicable law, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Assignment or any other statement, instrument or transaction contemplated hereby or relating hereto. In the event of any conflict within, between or among the provisions of this Assignment, any other Loan Document or any other statement, instrument or transaction contemplated hereby or thereby or relating hereto or thereto, those provisions giving the Assignee the greater right shall govern.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignor has executed this instrument as of the date first above written

BUCA, Inc.

By 

Title CFO

Address for the Assignor:

Attention: Greg A. Gadel
1300 Nicollet Avenue
Suite 5003
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Telephone No.: (612) 288-2382
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[Signature Page to Collateral Assignment of Trademarks]

EXHIBIT A TO
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OF TRADEMARKS

TRADEMARK REGISTRATIONS

| <u>Trademark</u> | <u>Reg. No.</u> | <u>Reg. Date</u> | <u>Country</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
| BUCA DI BEPPO | 2139003 | 2/24/98 | USA |
| BEPPO | 2133290 | 1/27/98 | USA |
| BUCA | 2058534 | 5/6/97 | USA |

TRADEMARK APPLICATIONS

| <u>Trademark</u> | <u>Ser. No.</u> | <u>Appl. Date</u> | <u>Country</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| BUCA DI BEPPO (Stylized) | 76/193,829 | 1/16/01 | USA |
| BUCA DI BEPPO & Design (Boot) | 76/193,828 | 1/16/01 | USA |
| BUCA DI BEPPO & Design (Blade Sign) | 76/295,940 | 8/7/01 | USA |
| BUCA DI BEPPO & Design (Mama) | 76/296,920 | 8/7/01 | USA |
| BUCA BREATH. | 76/246,241 | 4/25/01 | USA |
| BUCA BREATH. ACCEPT ONLY THE ORIGINAL | 76/246,630 | 4/25/01 | USA |
| Design (Framed Mama Portrait) | 76/296,608 | 8/7/01 | USA |
| Design (Curtain) | 76/194,416 | 1/16/01 | USA |
| Design (Smoking Cherub) | 76/194,415 | 1/16/01 | USA |
| Design (Angels) | 76/194,414 | 1/16/01 | USA |
| Design (Pouring Chianti Bottle) | 76/193,827 | 1/16/01 | USA |

EXHIBIT B TO
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Licenses

None.