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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):
 Delaware Lincoln Investment Advisors
 2004 Market Street
 Philadelphia, PA 19103

Individual(s) Association
 General Partnership Limited Partnership
 Corporation-State
 Other a Delaware Business Trust

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

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)
 Name: Lincoln National Corporation
 Internal Address: 12-3-02
 Address: _____
 Street Address: 1500 Market St., Suite 3900
 City: Philadelphia State: PA Zip: 19102

Individual(s) citizenship _____
 Association _____
 General Partnership _____
 Limited Partnership _____
 Corporation-State Indiana
 Other _____

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 _____

Execution Date: November 1, 2002

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):
 A. Trademark Application No.(s)
 B. Trademark Registration No.(s) 1,996,765

Additional number(s) attached Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:
 Name: Donna L. Gleason, 7C00
 Internal Address: The Lincoln National
Life Insurance Company
 Street Address: 1300 S. Clinton Street
 City: Ft. Wayne State: IN Zip: 46802

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40.00
 Enclosed
 Authorized to be charged to deposit account

8. Deposit account number: 50-1719
 (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)

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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.

Donna L. Gleason Donna L. Gleason 11-26-02
 Name of Person Signing Signature Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 2

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SERVICE MARK ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, DELAWARE LINCOLN INVESTMENT ADVISORS, A SERIES OF DELAWARE MANAGEMENT TRUST ("DELAWARE"), a Delaware business trust, having its principal place of business at 2005 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-3682, is the owner of the following service mark:

TOP HAT DESIGN U. S. Reg. No. 1,996,765

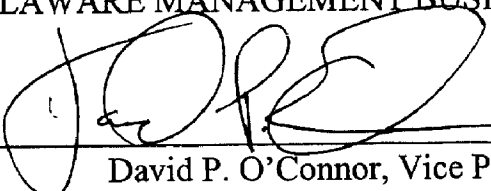
WHEREAS, LINCOLN NATIONAL CORPORATION ("LINCOLN"), an Indiana corporation, having its principal place of business at 1500 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest of DELAWARE in and to said intellectual property;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One U. S. Dollar (US\$1.00) to it in hand paid, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, DELAWARE does hereby assign, sell, transfer and set over unto said LINCOLN, its successors and assigns, the full, entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said intellectual property, together with good will of the business associated therewith, for the territory of the United States of America, said intellectual property to be held and enjoyed by said LINCOLN, and its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said intellectual property has been or will be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by DELAWARE had this assignment not been made.

This Assignment shall be effective as of November 1, 2002.

DELAWARE LINCOLN INVESTMENT ADVISERS, A SERIES
OF DELAWARE MANAGEMENT BUSINESS TRUST

By: _____


David P. O'Connor, Vice President

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