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EDUCATION

B.S., Aerospace and Ocean Engineering, Virginia Tech, 1987

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RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Ms. Mason graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a B.S. in Aerospace and Ocean Engineering. She received her M.S. in Engineering, Summa Cum Laude, from the Catholic University of America, and a certificate in Business Administration from the University of Virginia=s Darden Graduate School of Business in-residence Executive Studies Program.

Ms. Mason has wide ranging experience in patent prosecution in the mechanical, electromechanical and computer arts. She has prosecuted applications for all manner of residential and commercial appliances and environmental control systems, semiconductor device fabrication and testing methods and equipment, business methods, medical devices, display systems, oil and gas drilling equipment, and computer imaging software.

Ms. Mason also has a wide range of experience in the design, development, test, manufacture and deployment of high technology weapon systems. This includes work in a number of technological fields, including advanced materials, high technology manufacturing, expert diagnostics and system control, simulation and integration. She has acted as the U.S. Government=s technical representative in foreign military sales to numerous international entities. Ms. Mason has also worked as a technology consultant for the RAND Corporation. She is the co-author of a recent publication for the Congressional Business Office which addresses the evolution and future trends in aircraft/turbine engine technology, the costs and benefits of this technology when applied to advanced weapon systems, and development of sophisticated algorithms to accurately predict cost for future systems.

Ms. Mason is fluent in Spanish.