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## PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES	IMS-Ionen Mikrofabrikations Systeme GmbH, Hans Löschner, Gerhard Stengl, Herbert Vonach and Elmar Platzgummer
ISSUE	Mention of additional inventor for patent number GB 2340991 under section 13(1)
HEARING OFFICER	S M Williams

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## DECISION

- 1 Patents Form 7/77 names three inventors; Hans Löschner, Gerhard Stengl and Herbert Vonach.
- 2 IMS-Ionen Mikrofabrikations Systeme GmbH, the patent proprietor, has applied to have Elmar Platzgummer mentioned as a joint inventor in accordance with section 13(1) of the Act.
- 3 The named inventors have confirmed in writing that they consent to Elmar Platzgummer being named as a joint inventor. Dr Platzgummer has also provided written confirmation that he agrees with the section 13(1) application. I therefore conclude that the relevant parties agree that Elmar Platzgummer was a joint inventor.
- 4 Accordingly I find that Elmar Platzgummer should be mentioned as a joint inventor in the granted patent. I also direct, in accordance with rule 14(5), that an addendum slip mentioning him as a joint inventor be prepared for the published application and for the granted patent for the invention.

**S M WILLIAMS**

B3 Head of Litigation Section, acting for the Comptroller