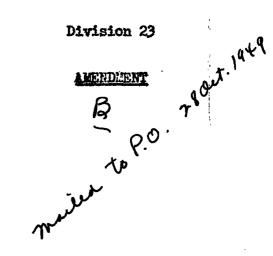
## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

RE: Application for Patent of WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN Serial Number 551,172 Filed 25 August 1944 For AUTHENTICATING DEVICE



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The Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington 25, D. C.

Sir:

This is in response to Patent Office action of 11 May 1949 in the above-identified application for patent. Please amond the case as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 23 - After "contacts" insert a comma. 23 - Change "appear" to - appears - .
Page 2, line 21 - Cancel the comma.
Page 4, line 1 - After "by" insert - a - .
9 - After "97" insert a comma.
12 - After "77" insert a comma.
13 - After "73" insert - would - .
13 - After "73" insert - would - .
14 - Change "indicates" to - indicate - .
25 - After "taining" insert - a - .

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Page 5, line 21 - Gancel the comma.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 2, line 6 - After "series" insert - from among a predetermined number of contacts less than said plurality - .

Claim 3, line 7 - After "series" insert - less than the afcrementioned plurality - .

Claim 5, line 6 - After "series" insert - the said number being less than the said plurality - .

The changes in the specification are for the purpose of improving grammatical construction of the text, etc.

Claims 2, 3, and 5 have been amended in accordance with the suggestion of paragraph 4 of the official action of 11 May 1949, and it is believed that they now may be considered allowable.

Please pass the case to issue.

Respectfully,

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His Attorney

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