

Faro suit settled

April 2003, Carlsbad, CA, USA - ROMER, Inc. and Corp. announced that they have reached a final settlement with FARO Technologies, Inc. in the patent lawsuit pending in the Federal District Court for the Middle District of Florida, and that the case has been dismissed with prejudice. Under the terms of the settlement, FARO cannot reassert the patents-in-suit against any of ROMER and 's current products, nor can FARO bring a suit against ROMER and 's 3000iSC seven axes scanning arm on any patent currently held, or obtained by FARO in the future. FARO filed the lawsuit in January 2002. ROMER and subsequently filed counterclaims that the patents were not infringed, are invalid, and are unenforceable due to FARO's inequitable conduct before the United States Patent and Trademark Office while obtaining the patents.

Commenting on the settlement Homer Eaton said, "We are pleased by the outcome of this case. ROMER continues to be the only company in the world that can supply its customers with a seven-axis portable articulating arm combined with patent protected infinite rotation. That combination is proving to be an especially effective solution for laser scanning applications."

"As the worlds most accurate portable CMM, our technology continues to dominate this sector of the market. Our GridLOK product is another great example of the ROMER technology advantage. With GridLOK our customers can perform extremely accurate and cost effective measurements on large parts in a single volume," added Eaton.