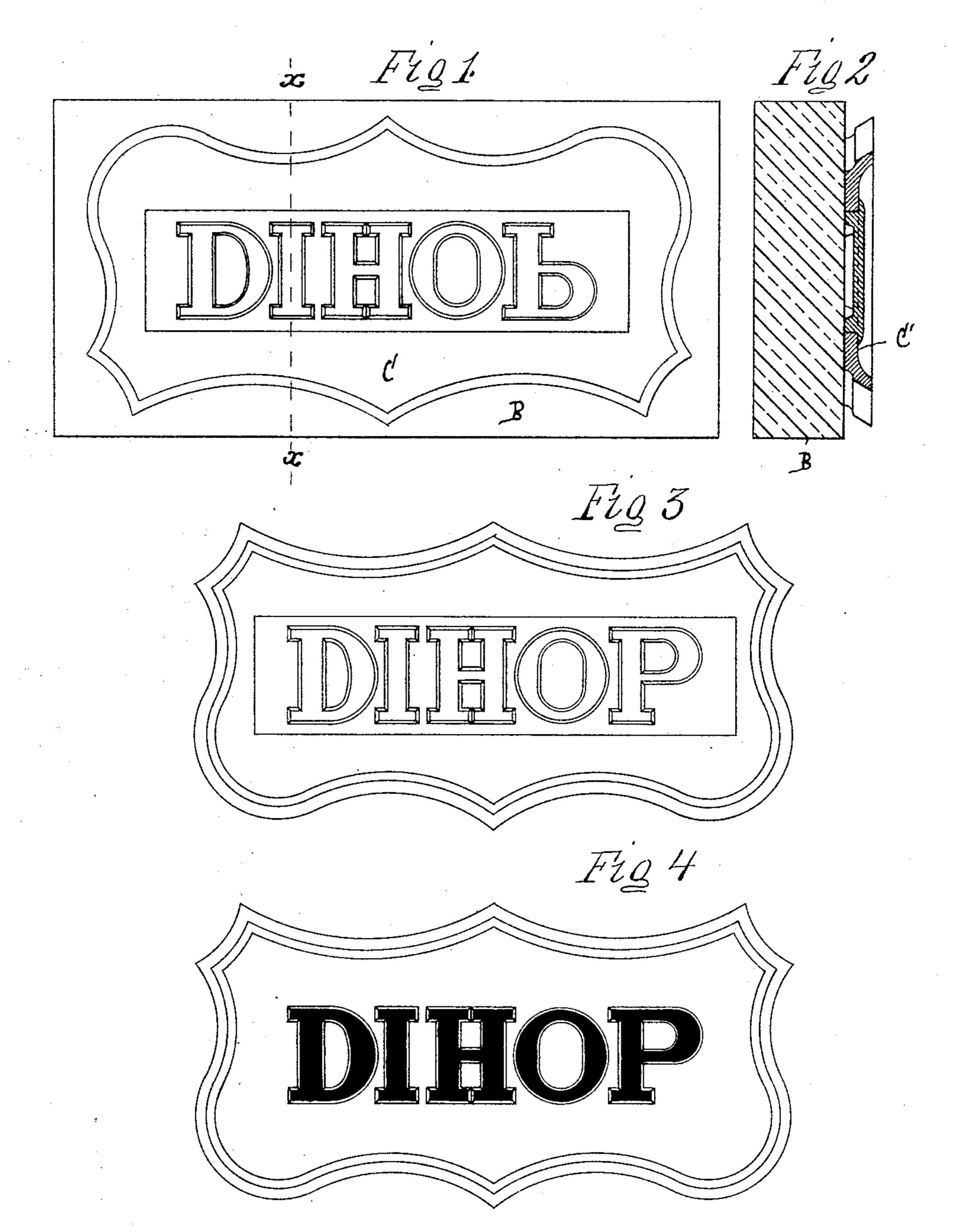
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODOR HUSTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Paterson, Passaic county, State of New Jersey, 5 have invented a new and Improved Method of Forming Letters in Door-Plates, Signs, and other Like Metallic Surfaces, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a 10 part thereof.

The object of my invention is a cheap and improved method of forming surface-letters in door-plates, signs, and other like metallic surfaces. The object sought I attain by a 15 succession of steps taken or acts performed, not confined to a particular mechanical construction, as will be hereinafter described

and claimed.

Figure 1 of the drawings shows a series of 20 letters in reverse position on a wooden plate or frame with a border-plate surrounding the letters, the border-plate being face to face with the wooden plate in such figure. Fig. 2 is a cross-section showing the position of 25 the plastic material, &c. Fig. 3 is a front view of the pattern, and Fig. 4 shows a finished door-plate.

In carrying out my invention I take the letters desired and fasten them by some suit-30 able adhesive material in position on a wooden face-plate B. Then I take the vacant doorplate C and place the same face to face with the plate B, as in Figs. 1 and 2. Then I fill

the vacancy in the plate C with some suitable plastic material, as plaster-of-paris, &c., 35 until the plastic material poured into it is slightly above the level of the inner back metallic surface C' of the plate C, as shown in Fig. 2. Then I take the plate C from its position on the wooden plate B, together with 40 the plastic material or plaster which forms its central portion, and has the impression of the letters in it, and I use the said plate C, together with its central portion, as a pattern from which to form the door-plates. A mold 45 is made from this pattern and the door-plate is cast in the mold in the ordinary manner. When the door-plate is removed from the mold, it is cleaned, polished, and ornamented in any desired manner.

What I claim is—

The method of making a lettered plate, which consists in first securing the desired letters in reverse to a board, then surrounding the letters with an open ornamental bor- 55 der-plate, then filling in the central portion of the plate with plastic material adapted to receive the impression of the letters, and finally using the combined border-plate and its central lettered portion as a pattern, sub- 60 stantially as set forth.

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