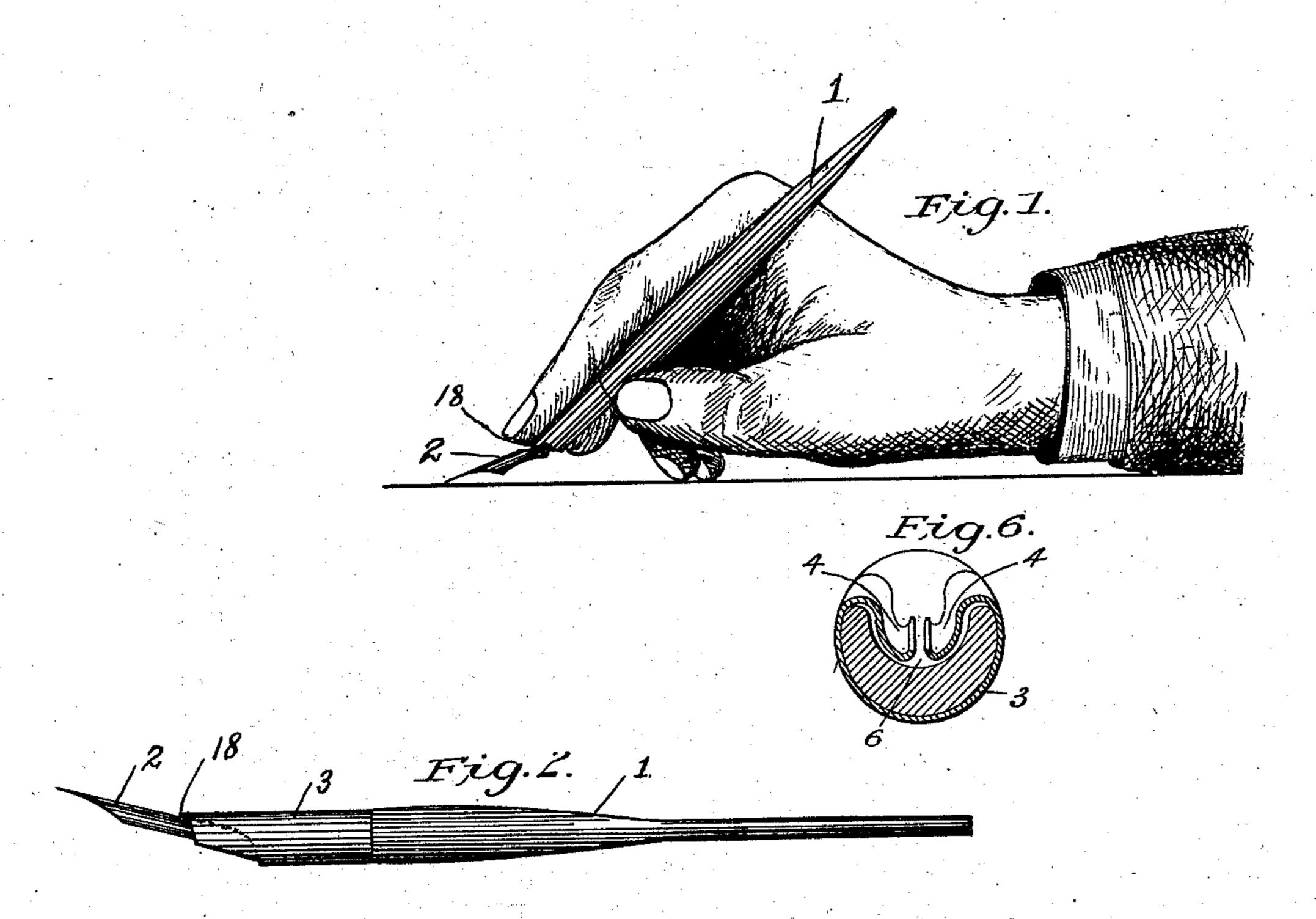
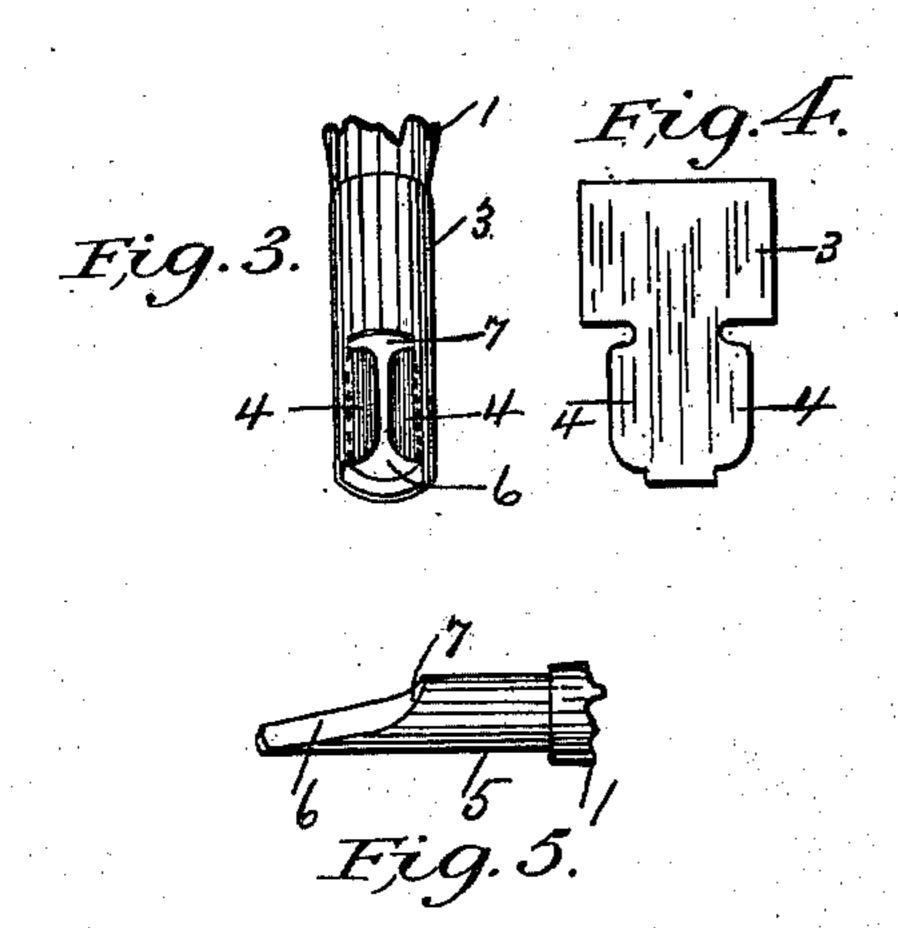
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Andrew J. Reams, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Wichita, in the county of Sedgwick and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Penholders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings, and the figures of reference thereon, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of a hand with my improved penholder, showing the position of the pen while in use. Fig. 2 is a side view of my improved penholder, showing the relative position between the pen and penholder. Fig. 3 is a detail showing the lips for holding the pen. Fig. 4 is a plate from which the ferrule is made in the manner shown in Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a detail of the handle, showing how it is grooved out to receive the pen. Fig. 6 is a cross-sectional view showing the construction shown in Fig. 5, taken through the

penholding-section.

This invention relates to certain improvements in penholders, adapted to hold the pen

in the position shown in Figs. 1 and 2; and it consists in the construction of a holder for holding the pen in the position shown, to form 30 an obtuse angle, at the point where the top side of the pen enters the penholder; and the object of this invention is to provide a penholder to hold the pen in a proper position, thus preventing the point of the pen from sticking in the paper, and still allow the user to hold his hand in a more natural and easy

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2 represents the pen.

3 represents the ferrule. 4 represents lips of said ferrule 3, which are adapted to be pressed down, as shown in Fig. 3, for holding the pen in position. 5 represents the portion of the holder which holds the said fer- 45 rule, and is gouged out on the desired incline at 6 and 7, as represented in Fig. 5, for the purpose of holding the pen on an angle from the holder at 7. The said gouged-out portion forms a shoulder for the end of the pen to 50 abut against. The pen is slipped in between the lips 4 and the gouged-out portion 6, where it is firmly held in position for use by the said lips 4. 18 represents the point where the top of the pen enters the penholder, forming an 55 obtuse angle.

It will readily be seen that by the use of this holder the hand will not have to be held in the cramped position to throw the penholder over far enough toward the paper to 60 place the point of the pen properly on the paper to prevent it from sticking into the paper. Thus the pen will last much longer, and the user can write better and easier, because of the natural and easy position of the 65 hand.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and useful, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is as follows:

A penholder having its outer end cut away 70 on the under side, to form a concave groove slanting up toward the end of the holder, in combination with a ferrule surrounding the end of the holder, and turned inward on its lower side to hold the pen within the groove. 75

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