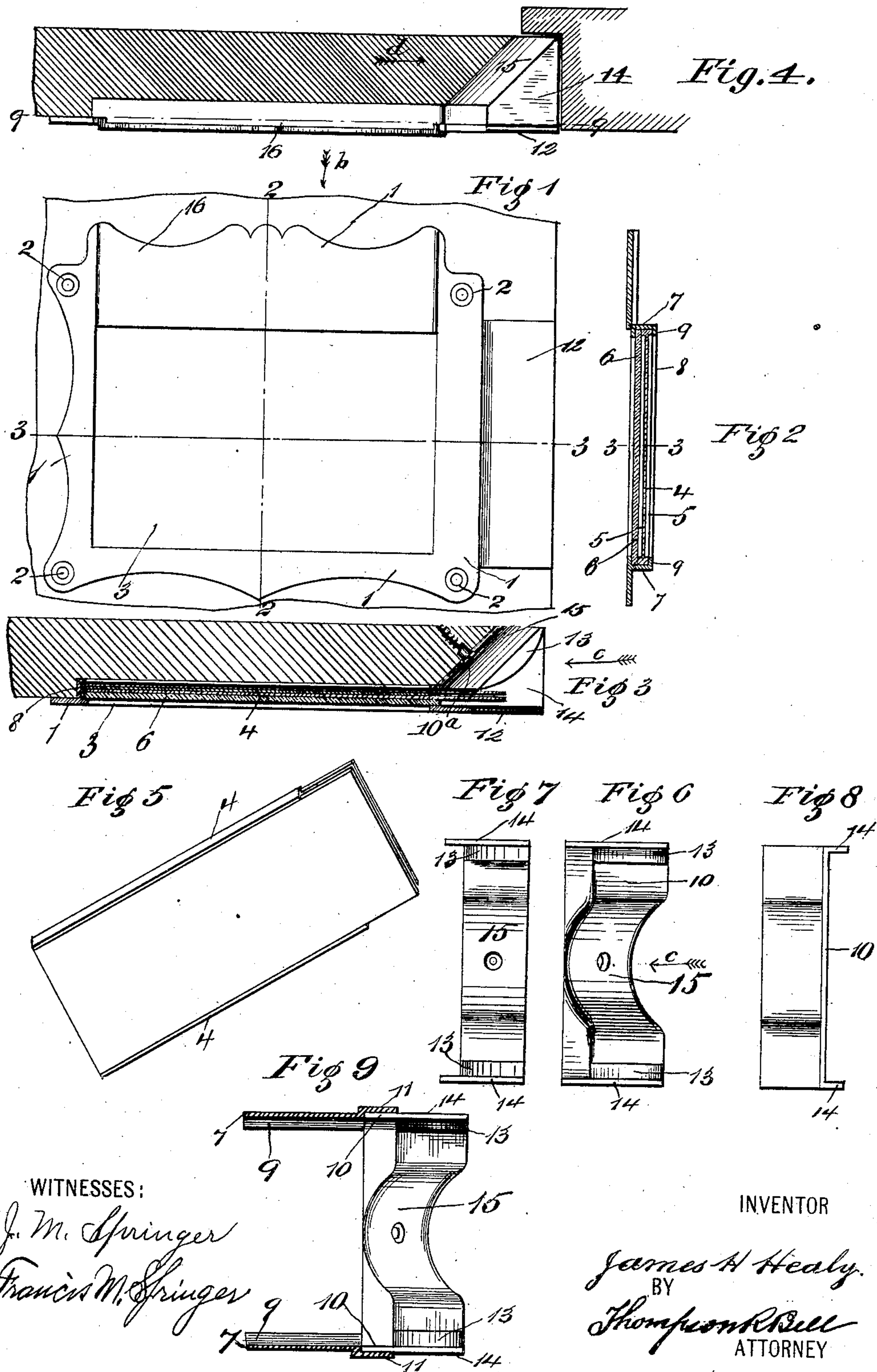


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES H. HEALY, citizen of the United States, residing at Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Information-Card Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

My invention relates to a device for holding information cards to be attached to doors of offices or dwellings, and will be hereinafter more particularly described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

The object of this invention is to provide a card-holding means for exhibiting the face of a card having some information written thereon relative to the occupant of the office or dwelling of interest to a caller which holding means is permanently secured to the door of the office or residence in such a manner that the information card can only be removed or tampered with when the door is open. I attain this object by means of the device illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which like numerals of reference designate like parts throughout the several views.

Figure 1 is a face view of my card holding device as it appears when secured to a door; Fig. 2 is a sectional view of the same removed from the door taken along the line 2—2 in Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same taken along the line 3—3 in Fig. 1; Fig. 4 is a longitudinal top view of the same looking in the direction of the arrow *b* in Fig. 1; Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the reversible card-holding slide showing a card inserted in each recessed side thereof; Fig. 6 is a detail face view of the conductor; Fig. 7 is a detail end view of the same looking in the direction of the arrow *c* in Figs. 3 and 6; Fig. 8 is a detail view of the same looking in the direction of the arrow *d* in Fig. 4, and, Fig. 9 is a broken sectional view of the holder showing the end conductor or guide portion applied thereto, and taken along the lines 9—9 in Fig. 4.

This invention is designed for the special purpose of providing a card holder for doors for holding cards bearing special information to callers, and the said card holder is secured to a door in such a way that a card applied thereto or inserted therein cannot be removed or tampered with from the outside when the door is shut.

The card holder plate 1, in outline, may be of any suitable ornamental form, and is provided with the screw holes 2 through which securing screws are inserted to secure the plate 1 to a door, and said plate is provided with the aperture 3 through which the written matter on the face of a card upon which the information is written is exposed. A reversible slide 4 is provided with the recesses 5, formed on the reverse sides of said holder, into which cards are placed, each of which cards may have information written on its face relative to the occupant of the house. A glass plate 6 is situated back of the opening 3 and said plate neatly fits between the strips 7 and against the strip 8, all of which strips are formed integral with the plate 1. Between the glass plate 6 and the lips 9 of the strips 7 is slidably fitted the reversible card holding slide 4 which may be removed when the door is opened.

The guide piece is composed of the portion 10 which fits between the offset strips 11 formed on the ends of the strips 7 and said guide piece is secured to the door, in position relatively to the card holding plate 1 by the screw 10<sup>a</sup> to be removable. A cover plate 12 extends from the end of the holder plate 1 to cover the open face of the guide piece 10, so that the end portion of a card that projects into said guide piece may not be reached from the outside of the door. The guide strips 13 have their bearing edges curved and said strips are situated on the face of the scoop portion contiguous to the wings 14 thereof and said guide strips are provided for the purpose of guiding the card holding slide to enter between the strips 7 to be slid into position therebetween.

The curved recess 15 is formed for the purpose of providing a means of access to the card holding slide 4 when the door to which the card holder is attached is opened, to remove the said card holding slide from the holder to replace or change a card or to reverse the slide to expose that card. The card holding slide 4 when placed in position in the card holder 1, it will be observed, cannot be removed while the door remains closed, so that when a card is once placed in the holder and the door closed it cannot be removed to be tampered with till the door is opened. The top portion of said card holder plate is pressed outwardly or offset to form a card receptacle 16 into which a visitor may place his card or any card upon which any informa-



tion desired to be imparted may be written to be taken up by the occupant of the dwelling or office upon his or her return.

I claim:—

- 5 1. A card holder for doors comprising a card frame having an aperture through which the face of the information card is exhibited, a transparent cover behind said aperture, retaining strips formed integral with and on the back of said frame, inwardly projecting  
10 lips extending longitudinally of said strips, a card holding slide slidably fitted into and between said strips and situated between the transparent cover and the lips of said strips, a  
15 cover plate extending from the end of said card holding frame, and means fitted to the back of said plate for guiding said card slide into and between said strips.

2. An information card holder for doors

comprising a card frame having an aperture 20 through which the face of the information card is exhibited, a cover behind said aperture of a transparent material, retaining strips formed integral with and on the back of said frame, inwardly projecting lips ex- 25 tending along the edges of said strips, a card holding slide slidably fitted into and between said strips and situated between said transparent cover and said lips, a guiding funnel, and guide strips adjacent the wings of said 30 funnel.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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