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[54] TUB SHELL OR THE LIKE

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- An undated ad from Aqua Glass for the "Regal" tub (admitted prior art).
- An undated ad from Villeroy & Boch for the Naoko and Colorado tubs (admitted prior art).
- An undated ad from American Whirlpool for the Utah tub (admitted prior art).
- Pp. 6-22 to 6-23 from a 1987 Kohler K-400 design catalog showing the "Infinity" 6' bath whirlpool (admitted prior art).

An undated ad from Jacuzzi for the "Arista", "Eura" and "Mira" tubs (admitted prior art).
1988 Jacob Delafon advertisement showing various "Fleur" fixtures (admitted prior art).

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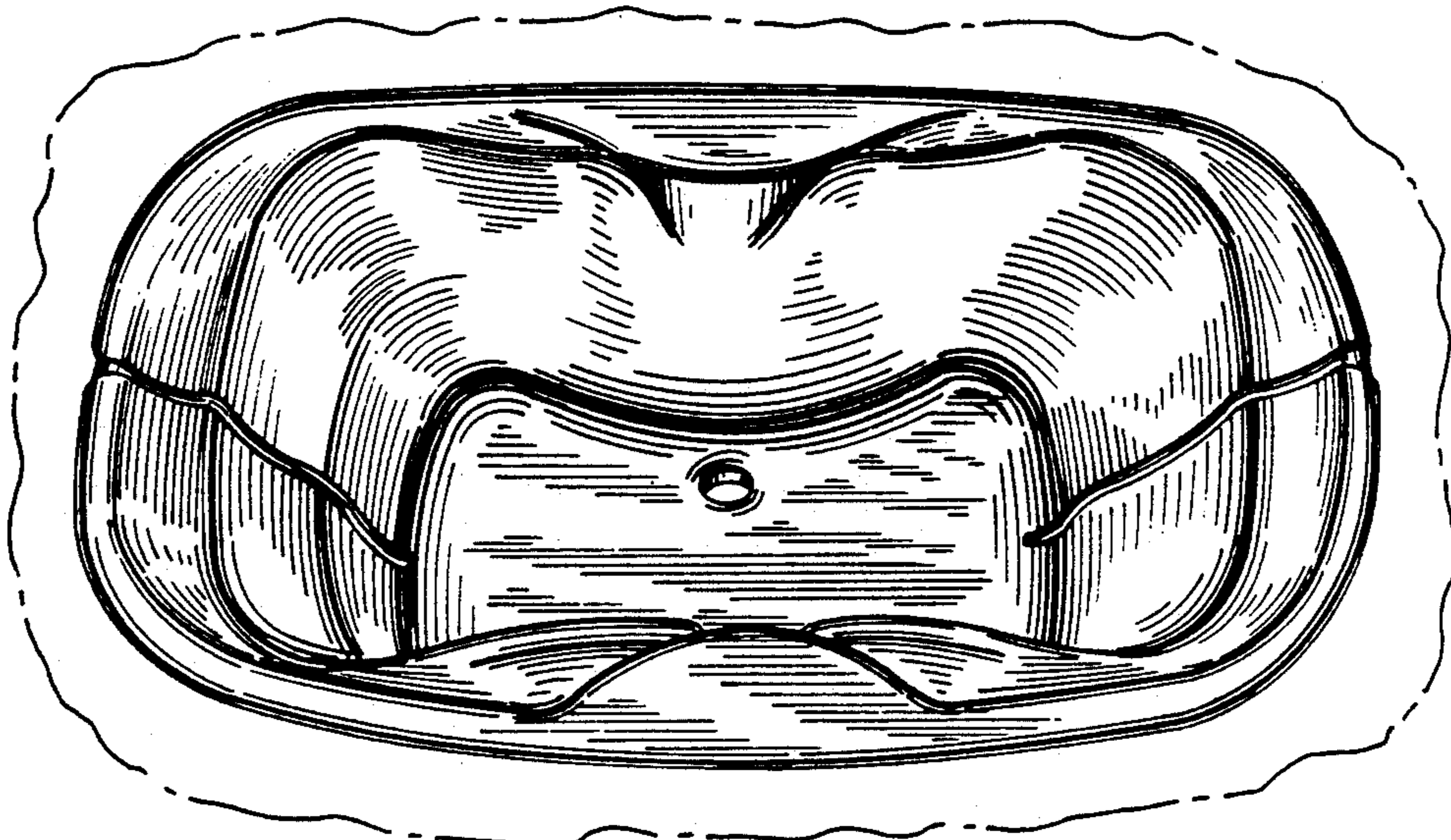
[57] CLAIM

The ornamental design for a tub shell or the like, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view taken from the top and front of a tub shell or the like showing our new design; FIG. 2 is an alternate perspective view taken from the top and right side thereof; FIG. 3 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 4-4 of FIG. 3; FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 5-5 of FIG. 3; FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 6-6 of FIG. 3; FIG. 7 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 7-7 of FIG. 3; FIG. 8 is a perspective view taken from the top and front of a second embodiment thereof; FIG. 9 is an alternate perspective view of the FIG. 8 embodiment taken from the top and right side thereof; FIG. 10 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 11 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 11-11 of FIG. 10; FIG. 12 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 12-12 of FIG. 10; FIG. 13 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 13-13 of FIG. 10; and FIG. 14 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 14-14 of FIG. 10.

The fragmentary broken line representations of decks in FIGS. 1, 2, 8 and 9 are for the purpose of illustration only.



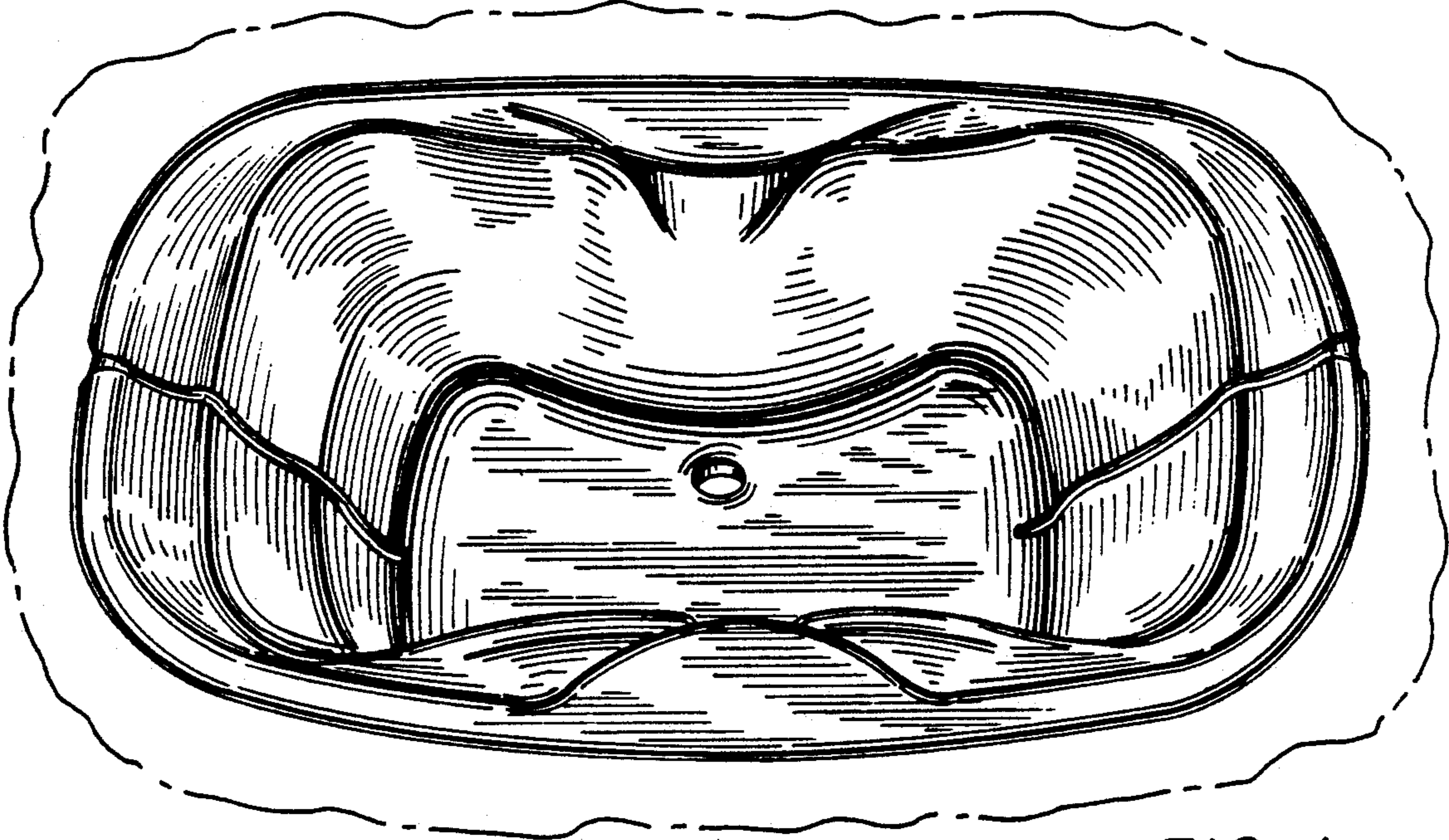


FIG. 1

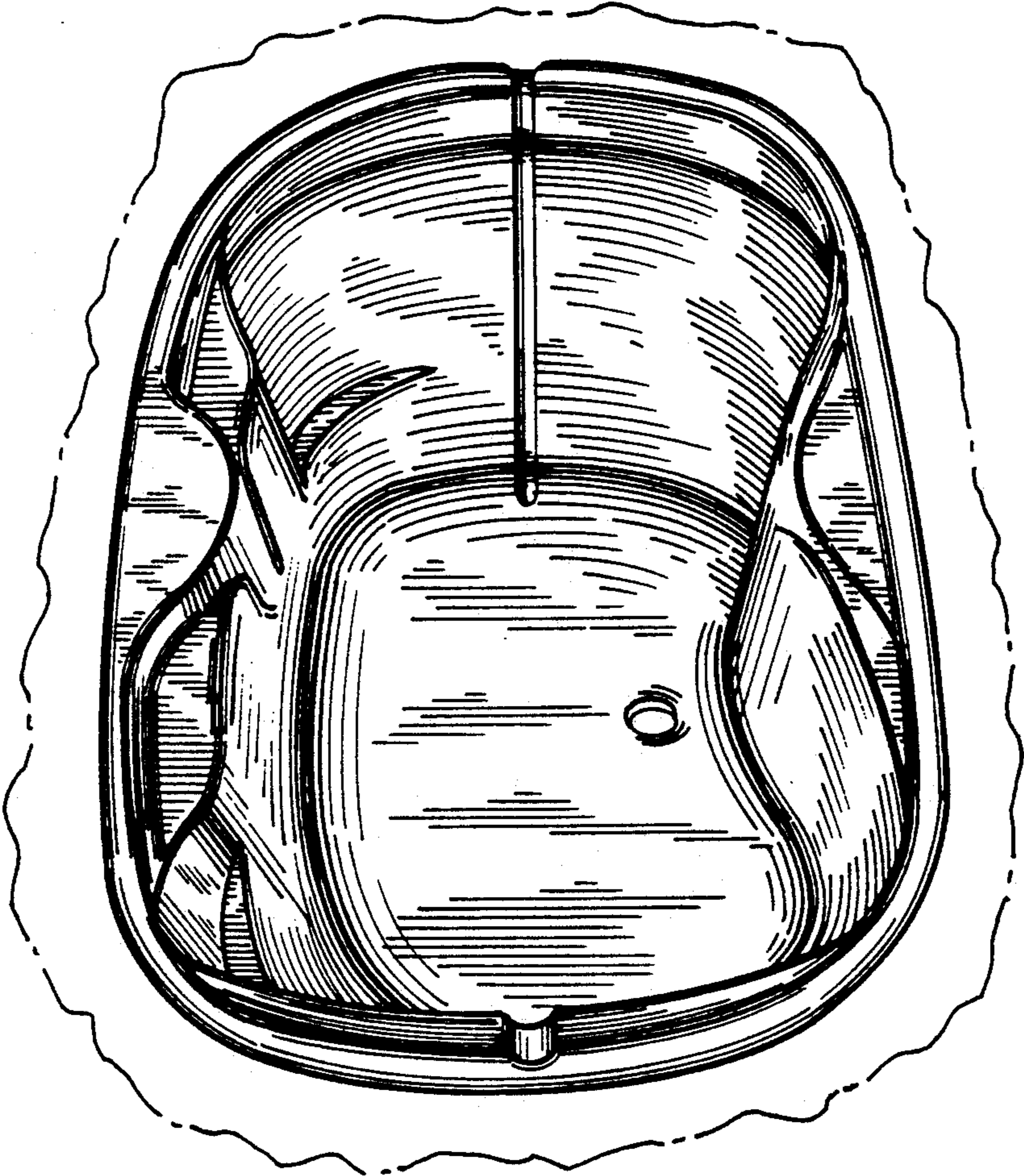


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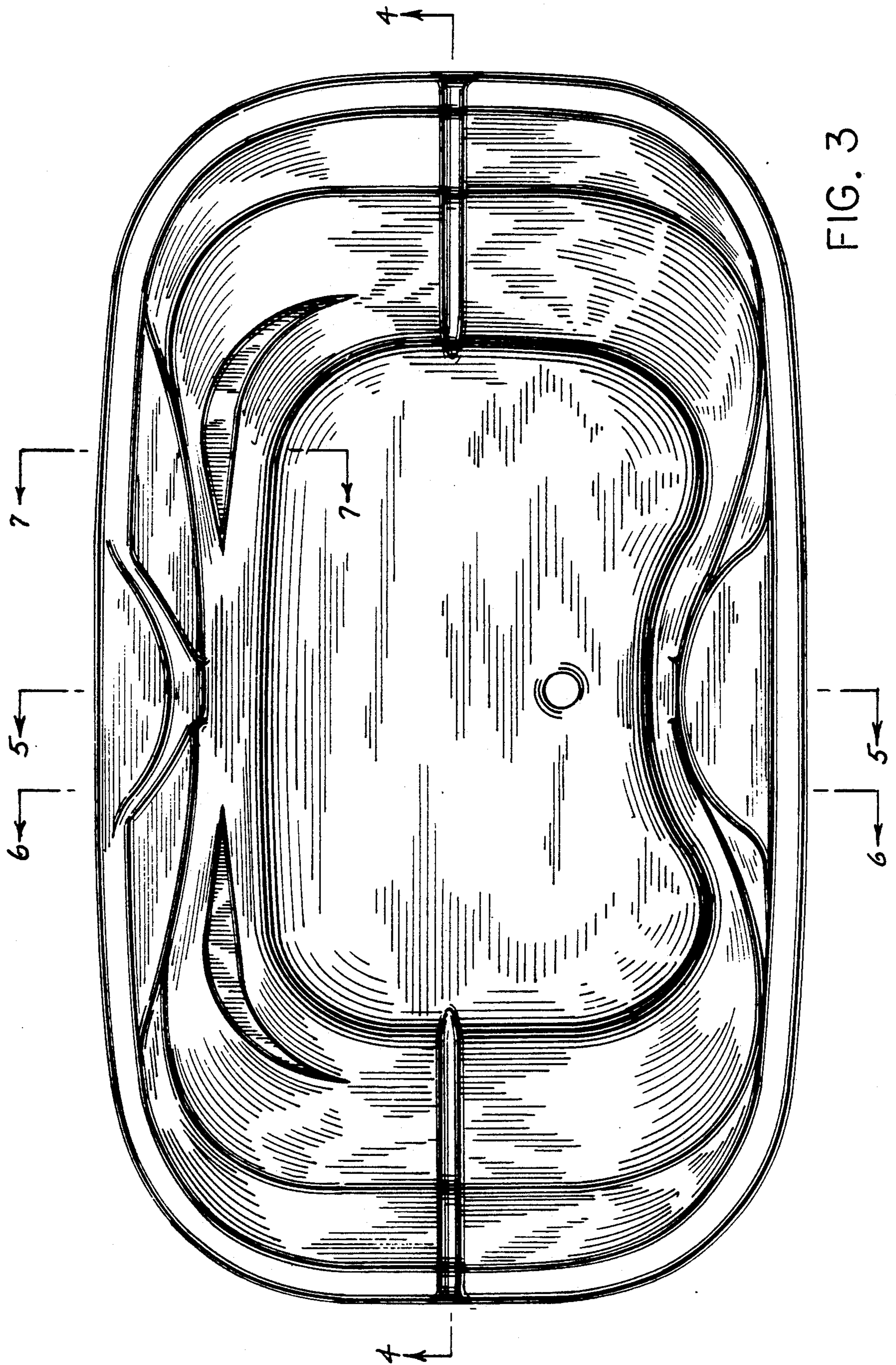


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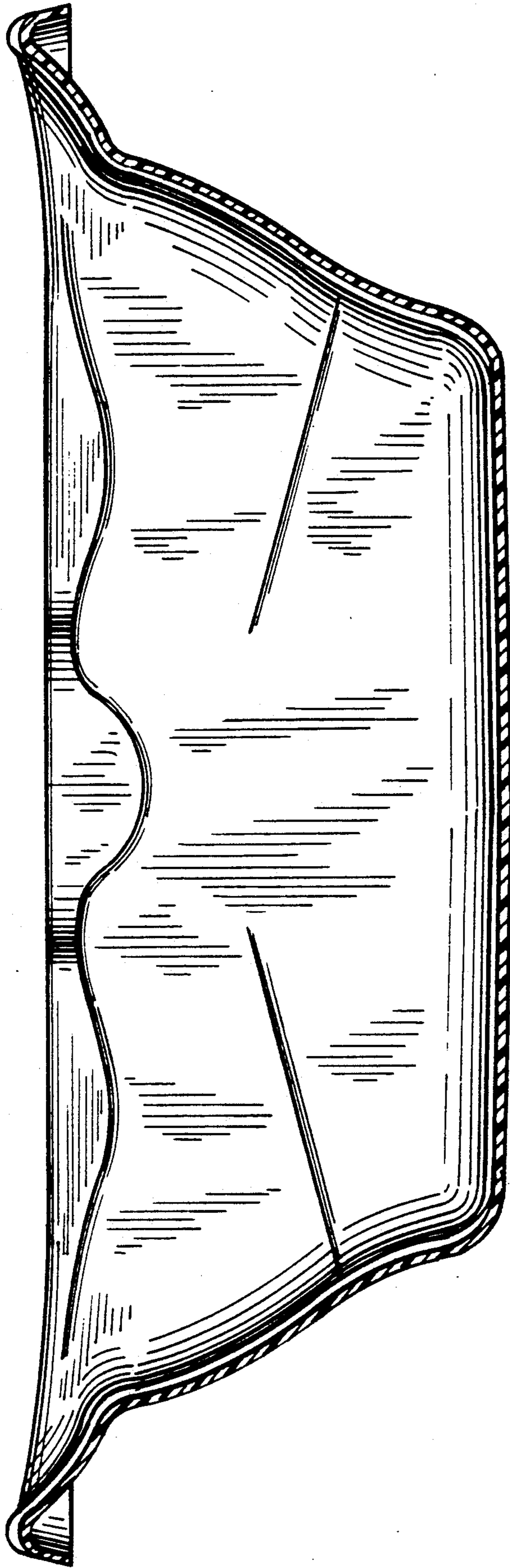


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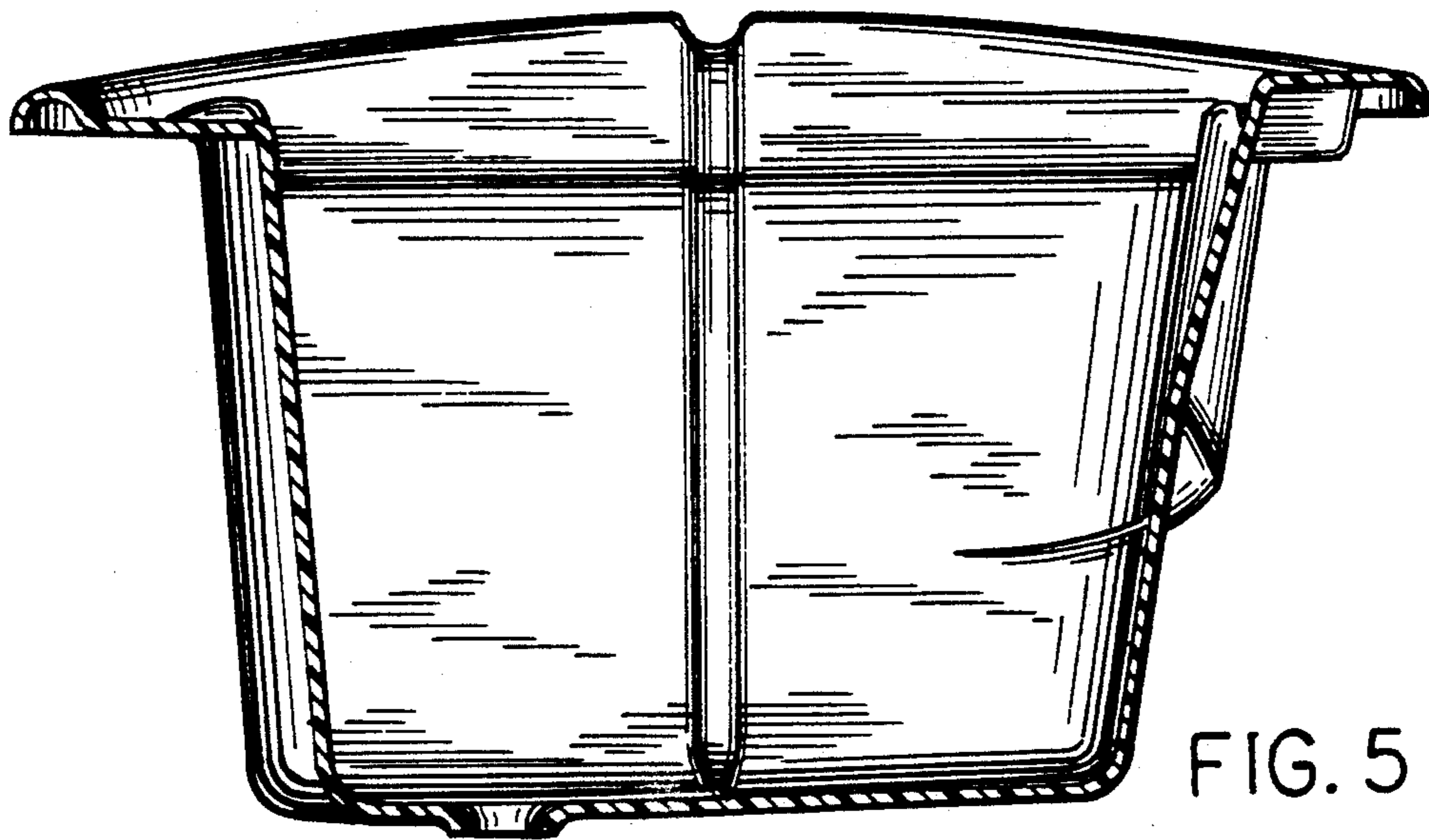


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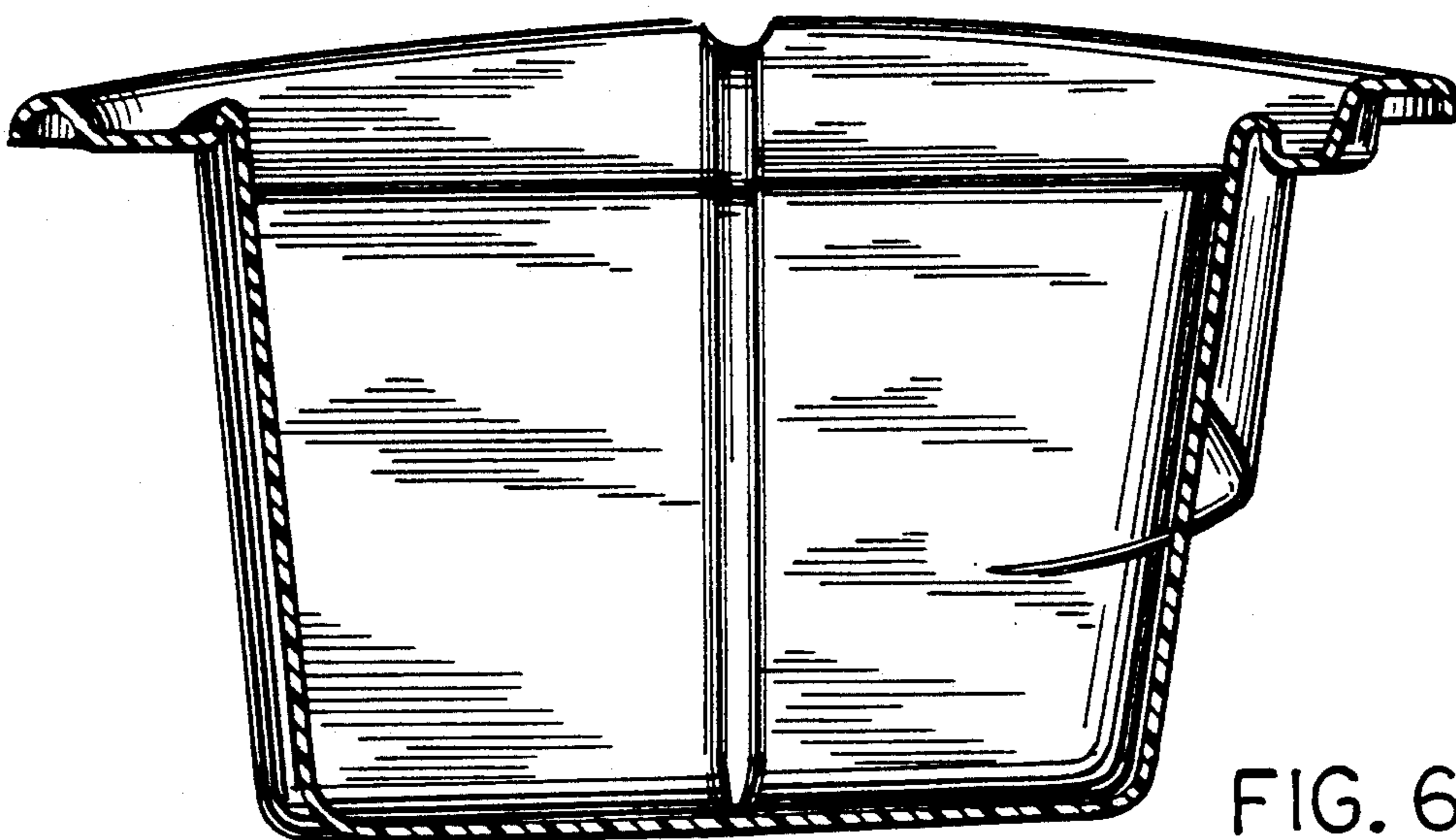


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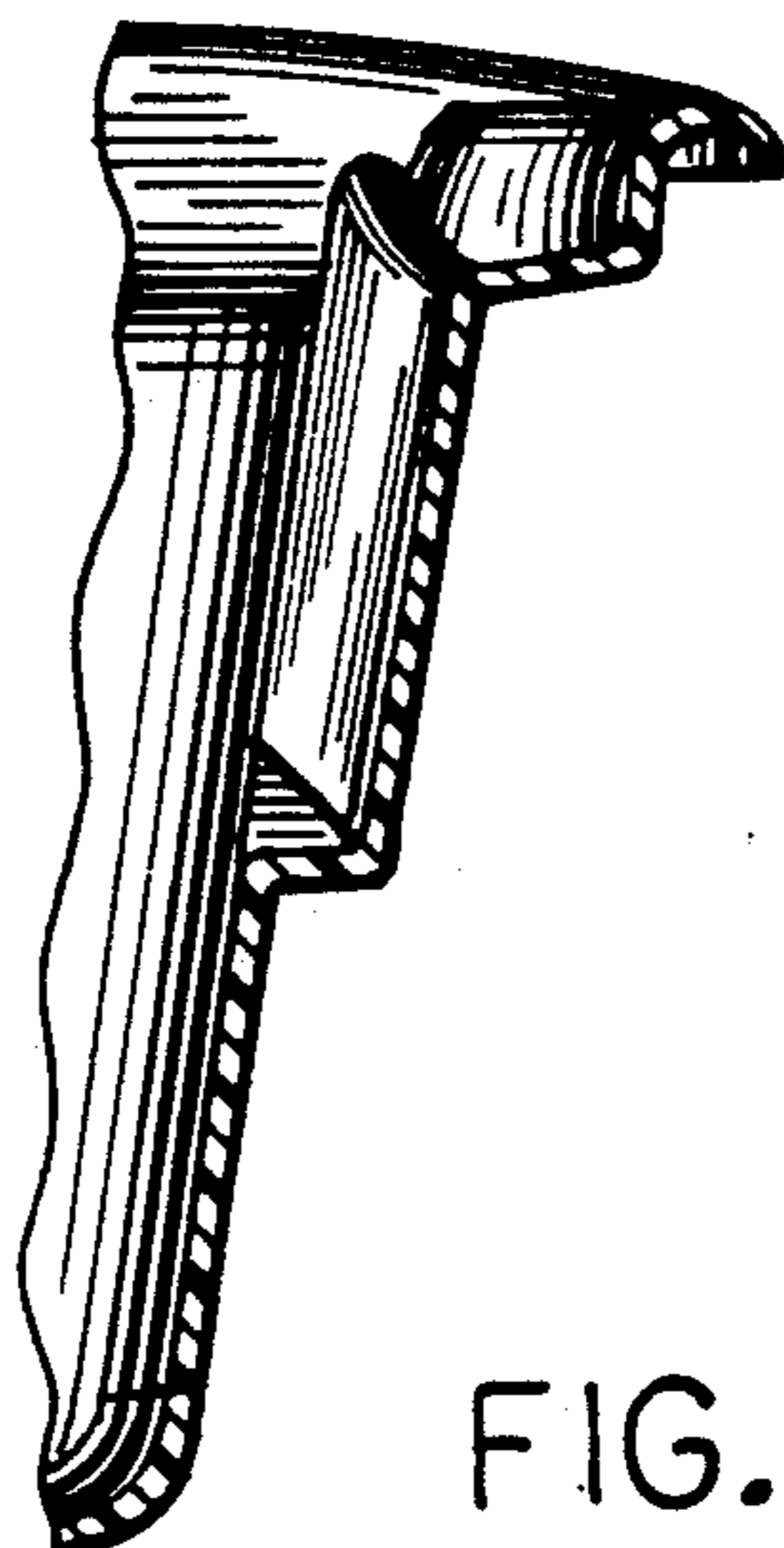


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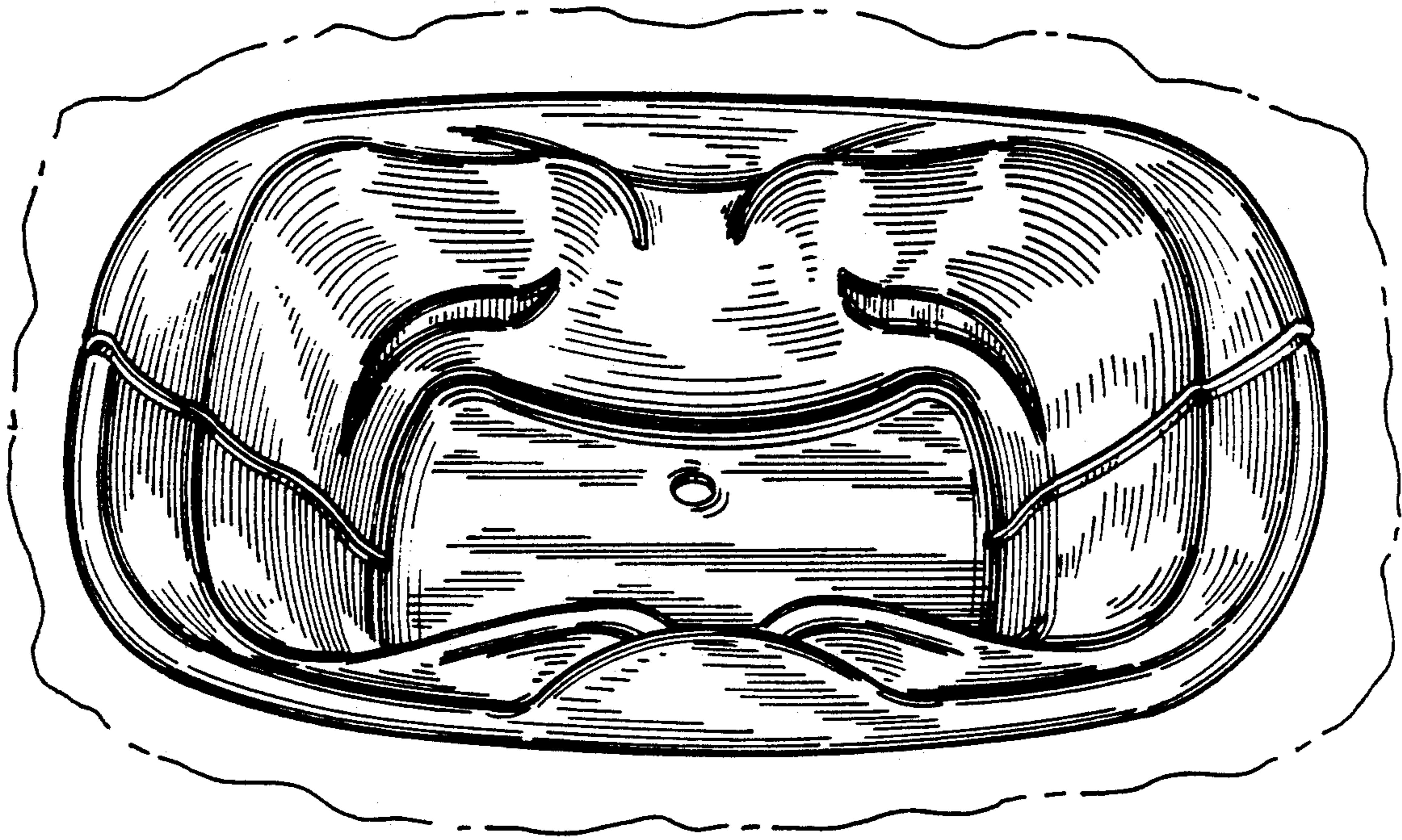


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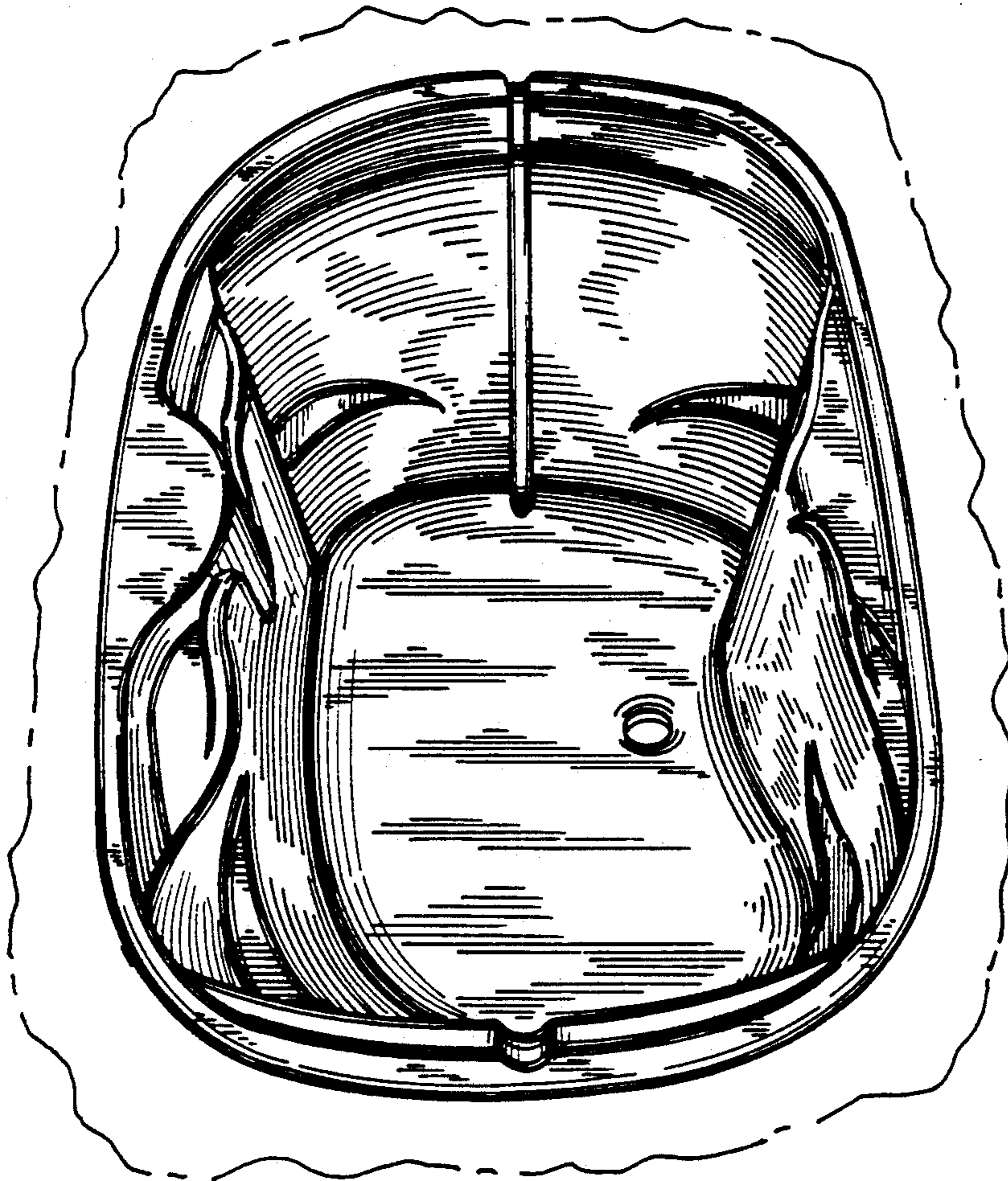


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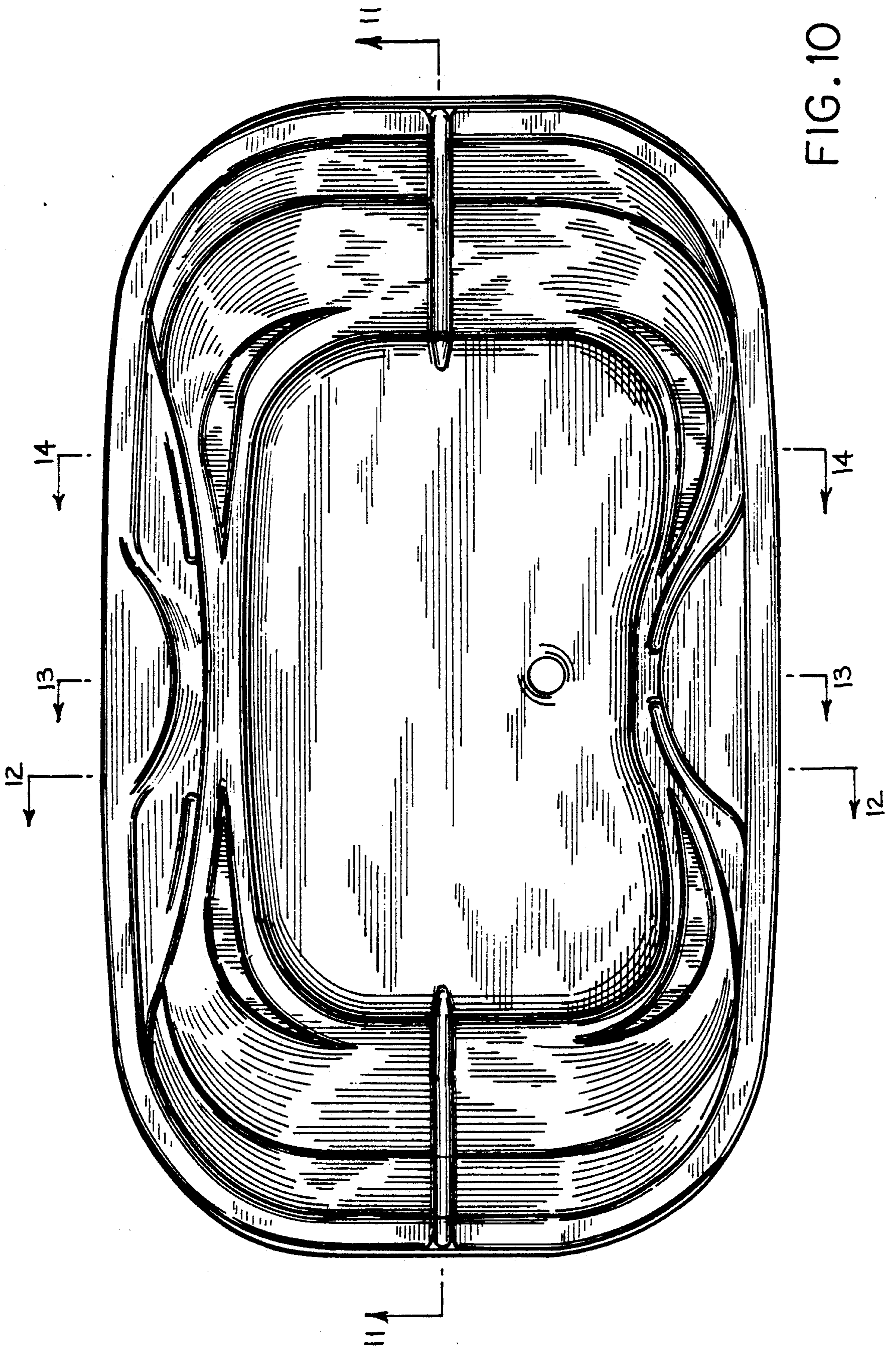


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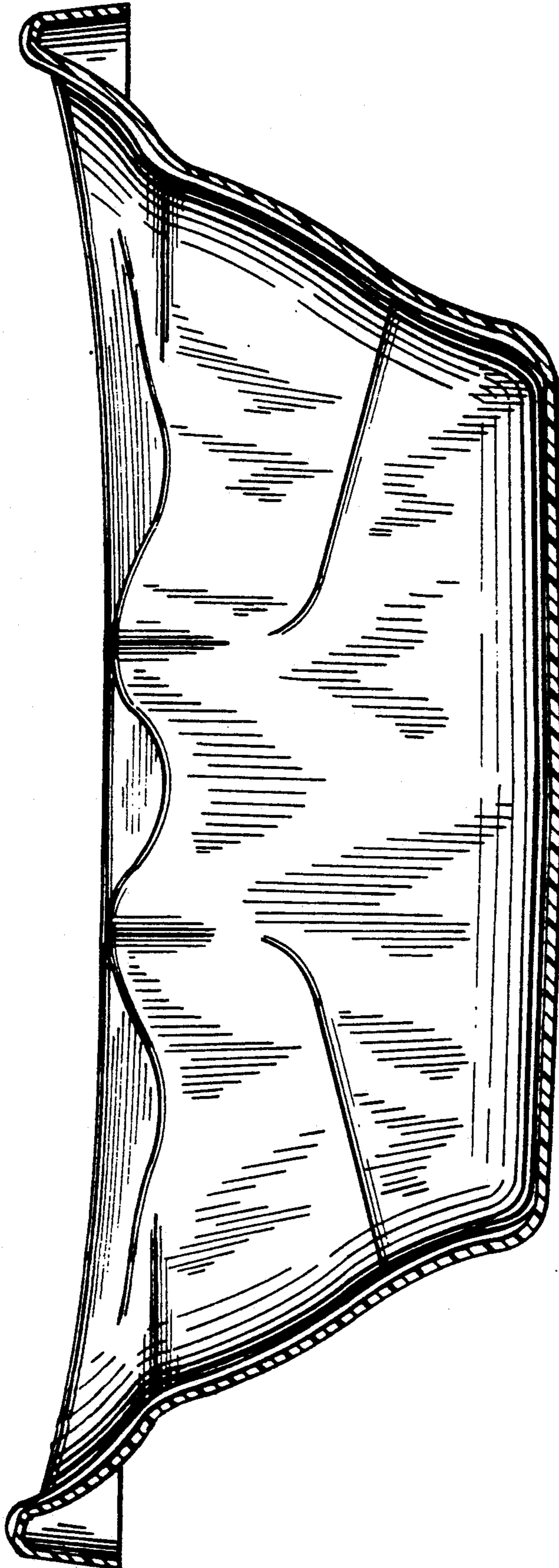


FIG. 11

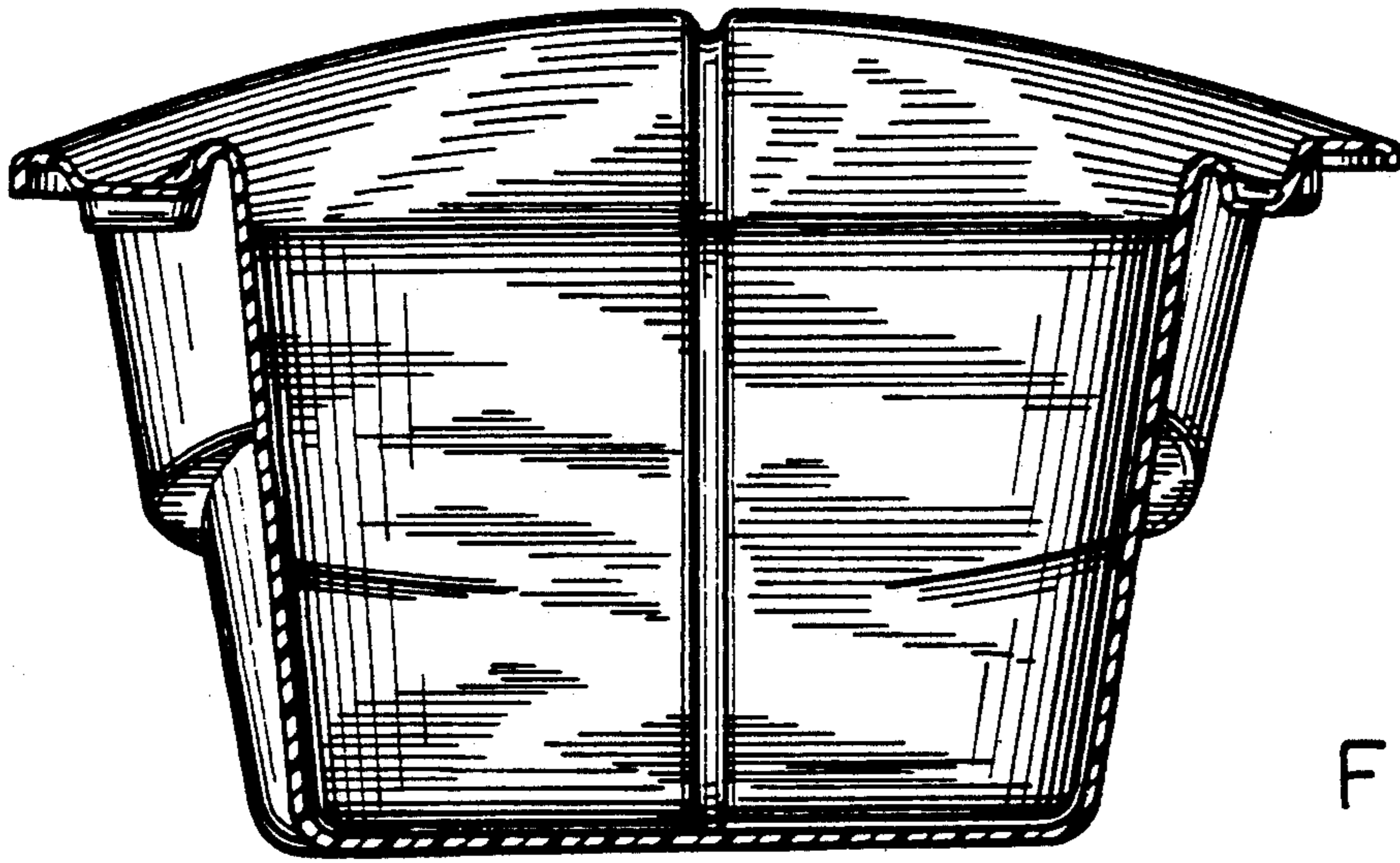


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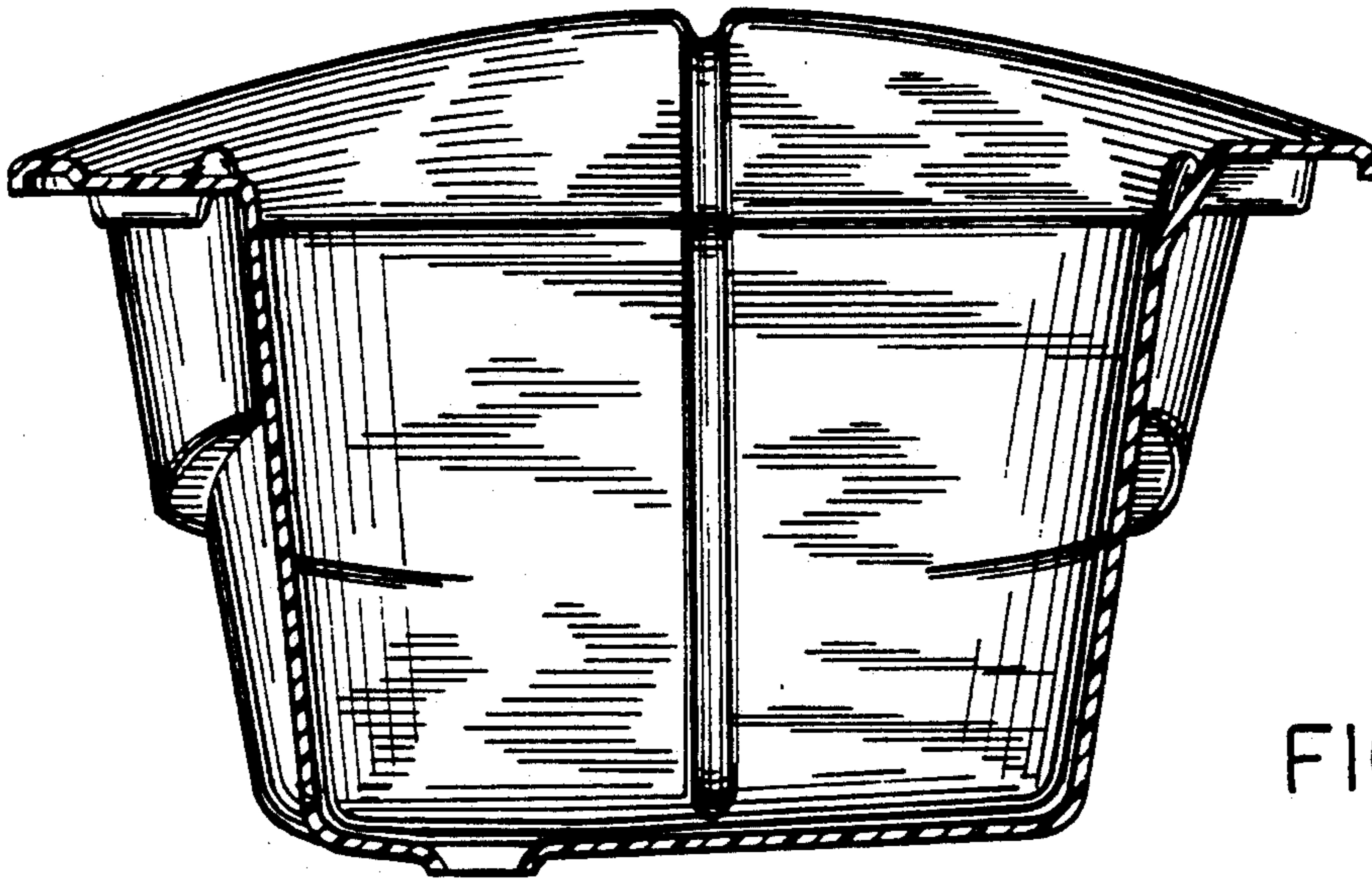


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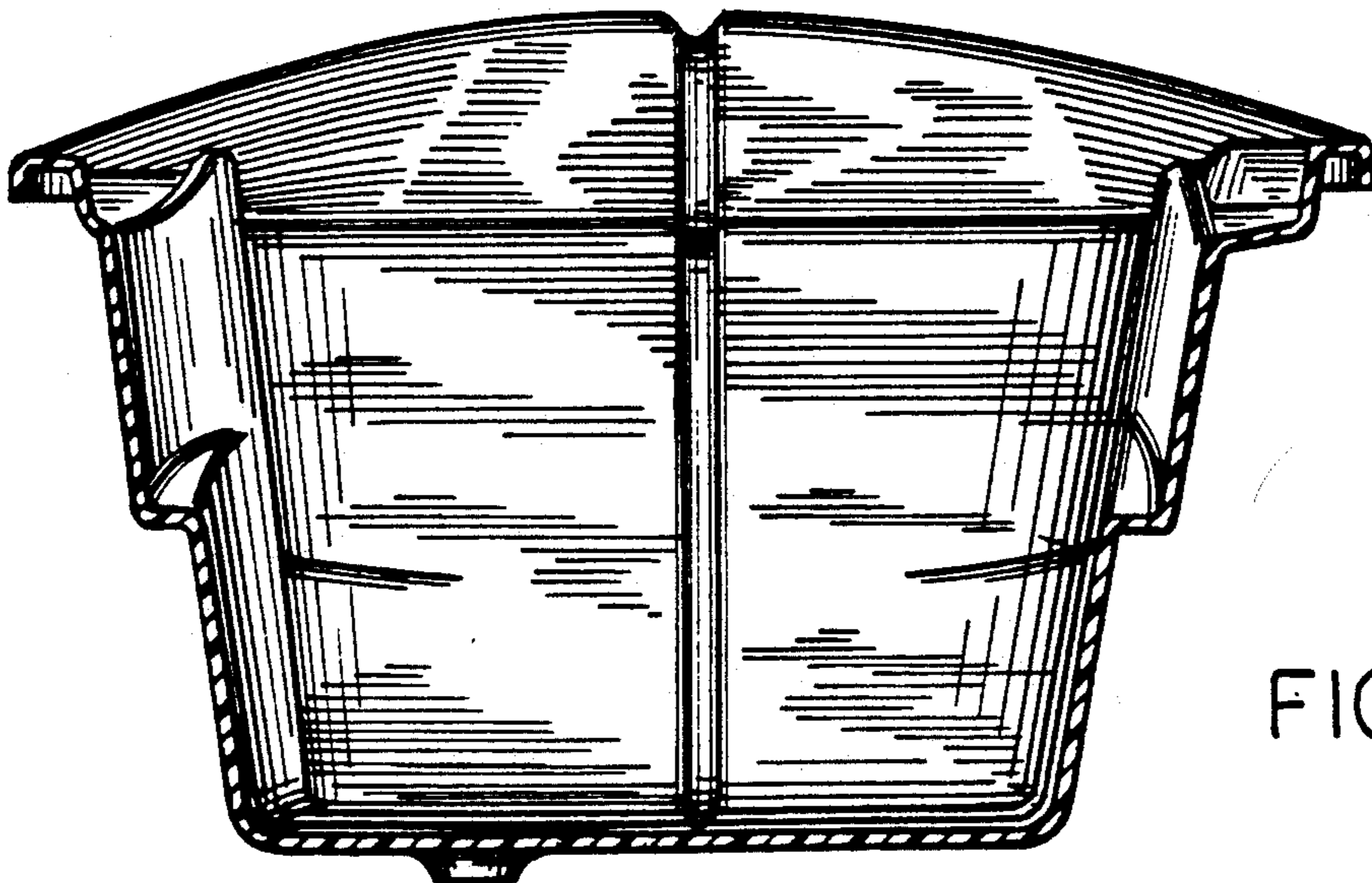


FIG. 14

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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO. : Des. 324,096
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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the Title page, item [63], The description of Related U.S. Application Data should read-- Continuation-in part of Ser. No. 300,623, filed January 19, 1989 and abandoned, and also claims priority based on Ser. No. 332,665, filed March 30, 1989 and abandoned--.

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