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[54] BASE FOR A BATHING ENCLOSURE

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An undated (admitted prior art) Jacob Delafon ad showing the Hydra shower tray.

P. 7-14a of a 1988 Kohler catalog showing the Neo Angle Profile shower.

A Clarke ad entitled "Acrylic Whirlpools ..." undated, admitted prior art.

An Itama ad for a shower cubicle, undated, admitted prior art.

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[57] CLAIM

The ornamental design for a base for a bathing enclosure, as shown and described.

## DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view taken from the top and front of a base for a bathing enclosure showing our new design;

FIG. 2 is a left side elevational view 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 fragmentary cross-sectional view taken on line 6—6 of FIG. 3;

FIG. 7 is a perspective view taken from the top and front of FIG. 1 showing the combined seat support and access cover removed;

FIG. 8 is a perspective view taken from the top and front of a second embodiment thereof;

FIG. 9 is a left side elevational view of FIG. 8;

FIG. 10 is a top plan view of FIG. 9;

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 perspective view taken from the top and front of FIG. 8 showing the combined seat support and access cover removed;

FIG. 14 is a perspective view taken from the top and front of a third embodiment thereof;

FIG. 15 is a left side elevational view of FIG. 14;

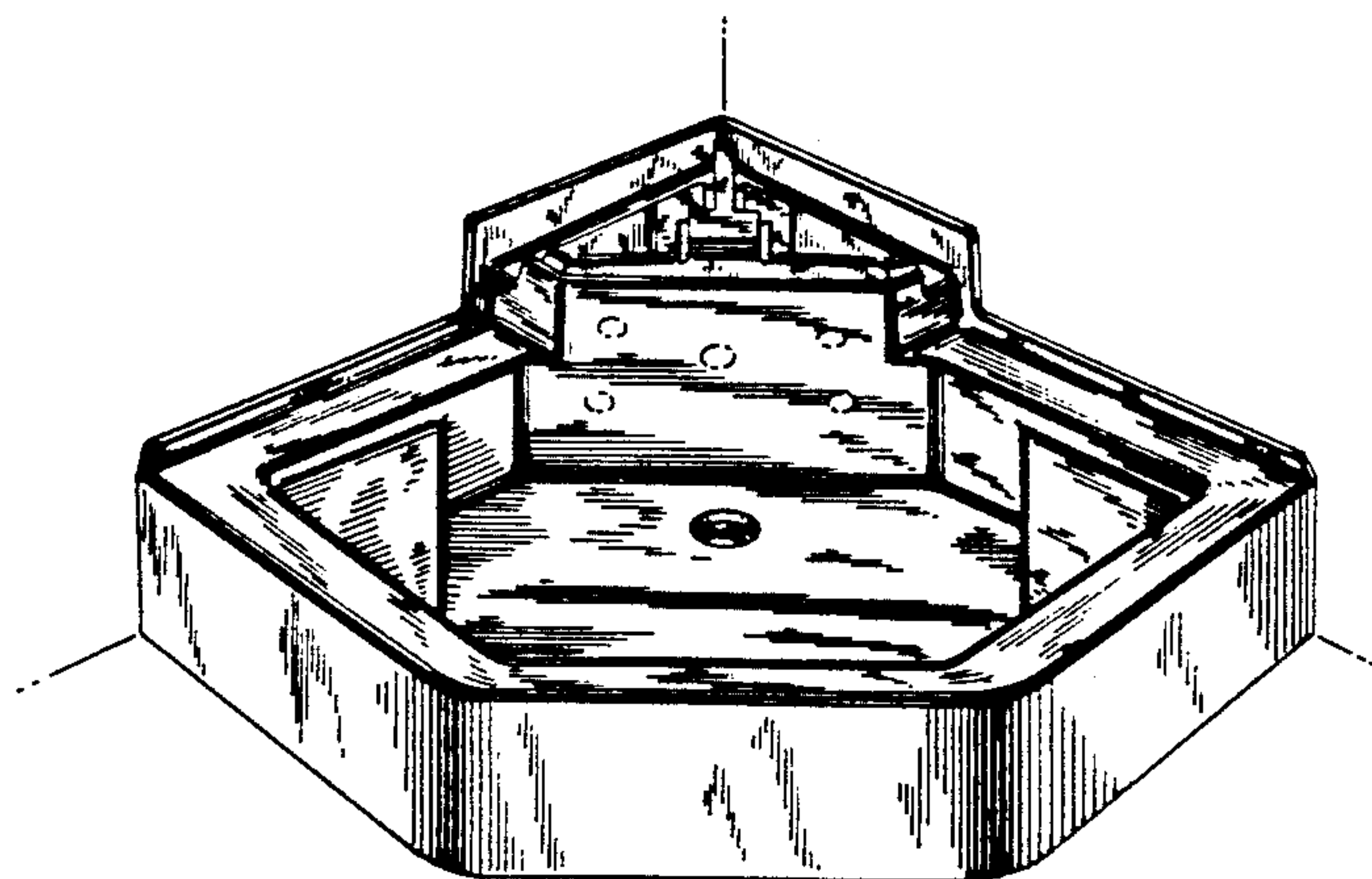
FIG. 16 is a top plan view of FIG. 14;

FIG. 17 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 17—17 of FIG. 16;

FIG. 18 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 18—18 of FIG. 16; and,

FIG. 19 is a perspective view taken from the top and front of FIG. 14 showing the combined seat support and access cover removed.

The broken line representation of openings in FIGS. 1, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 19 and the fragmentary broken line representation of bathroom walls in FIGS. 1, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 19 are for purposes of illustration only and form no part of the claimed design.



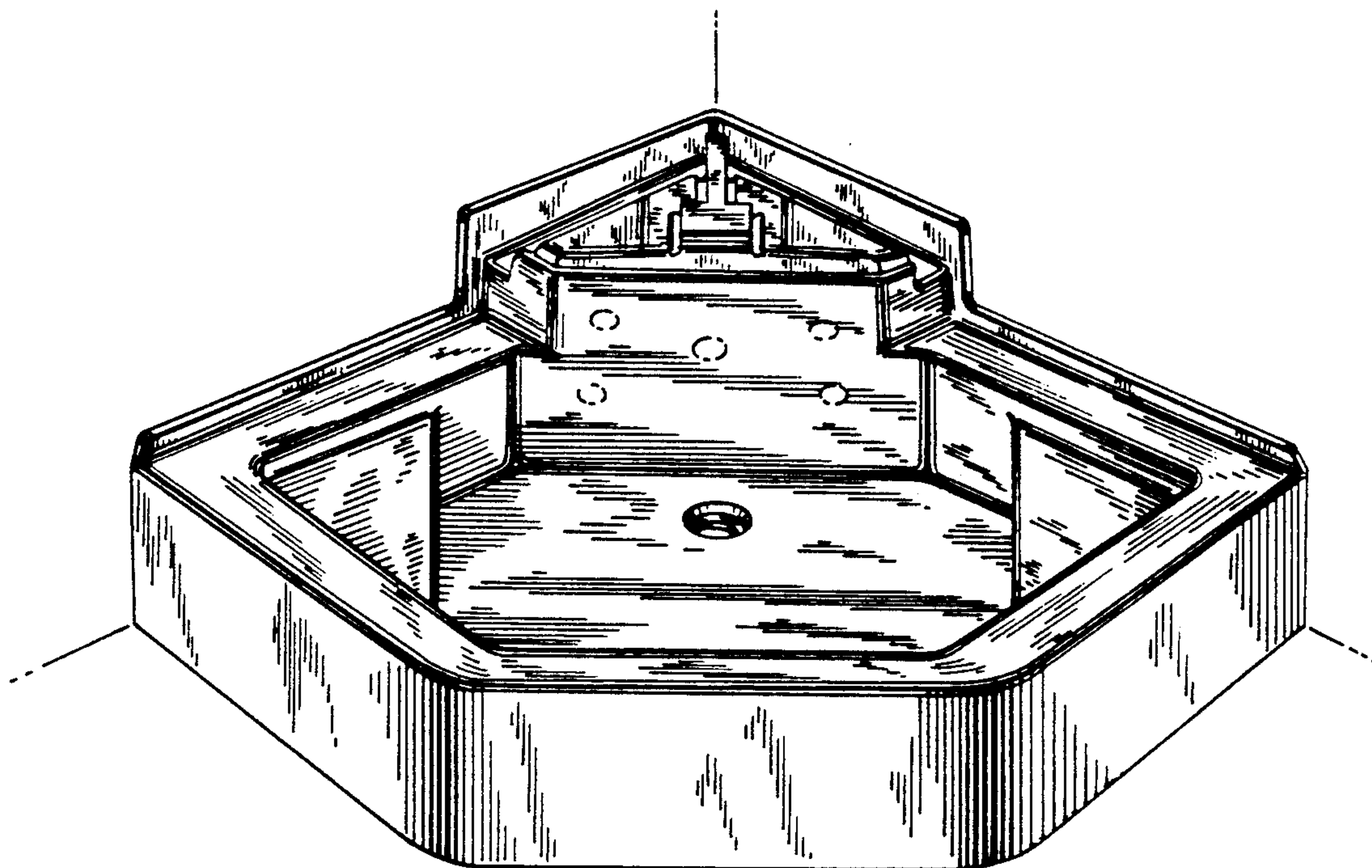


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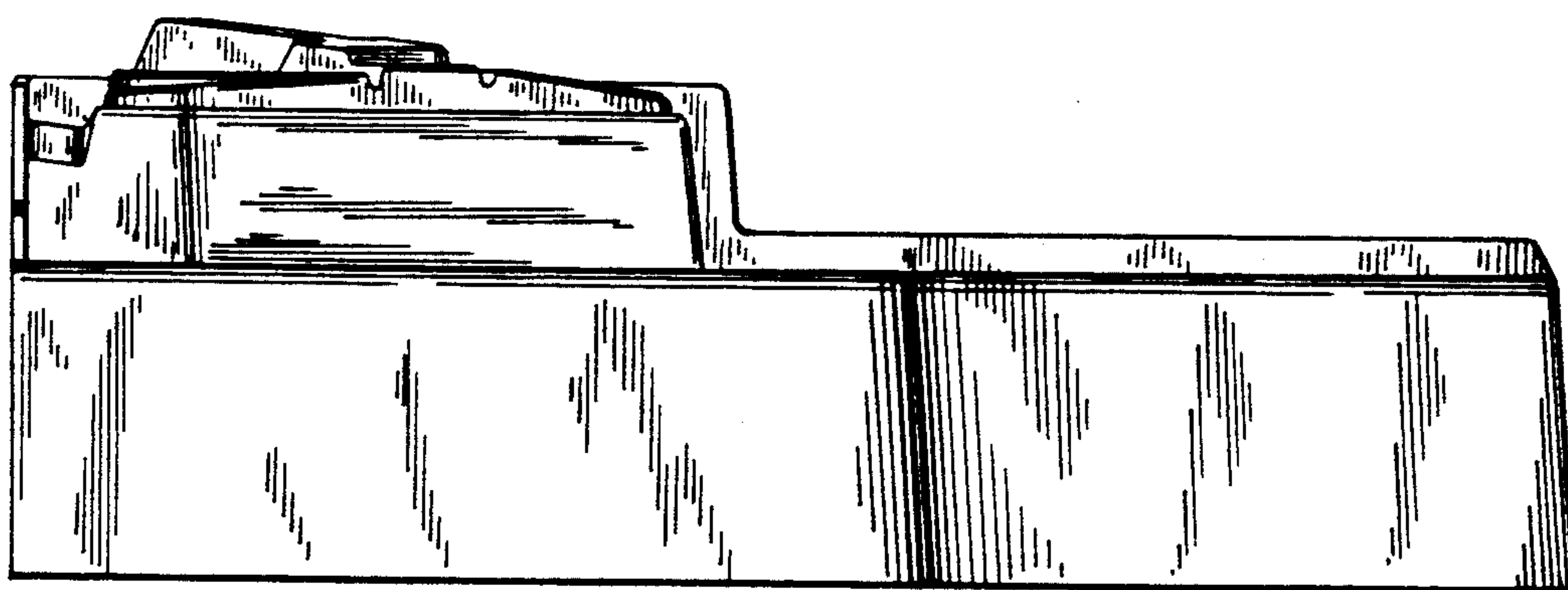


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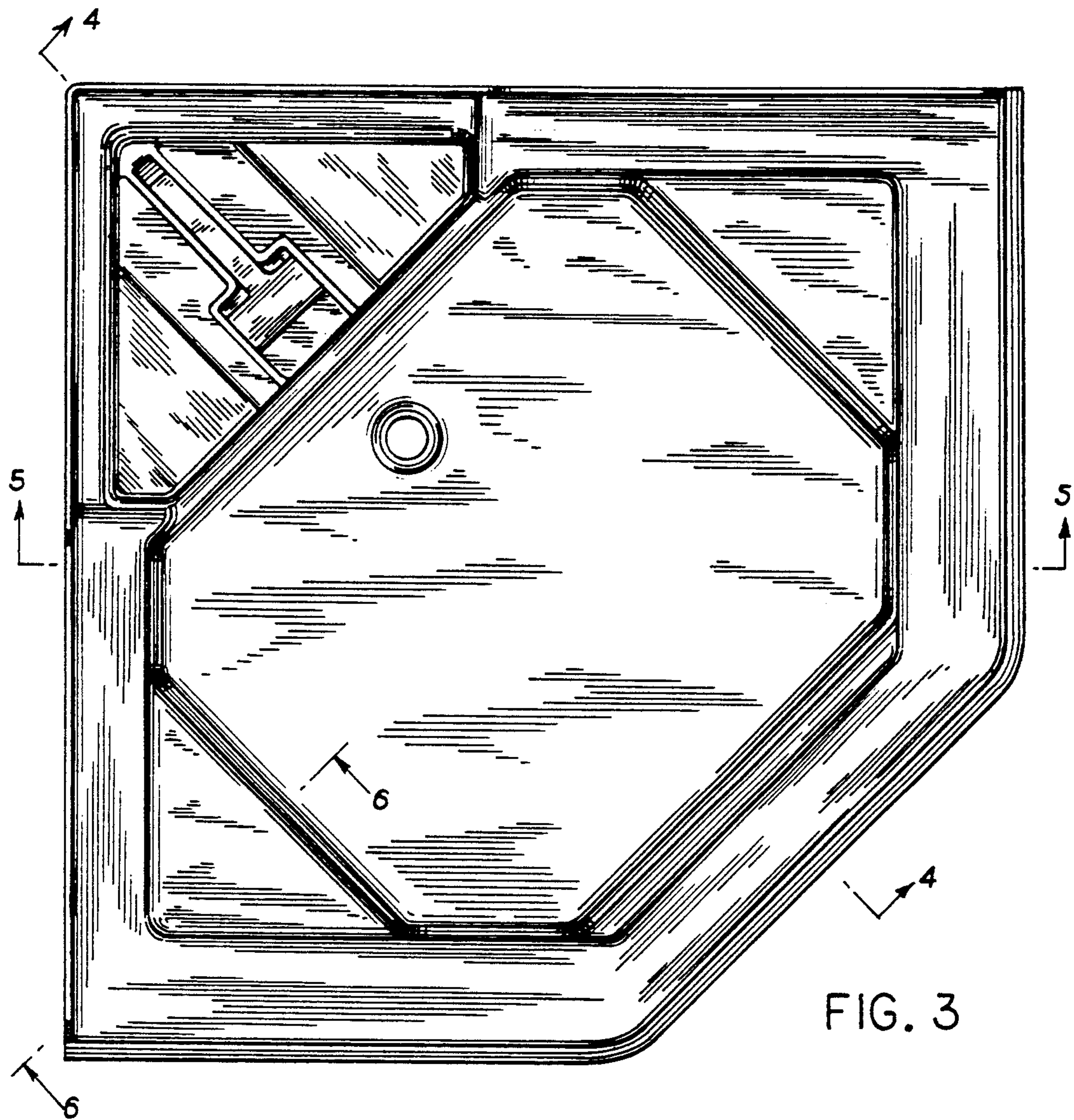


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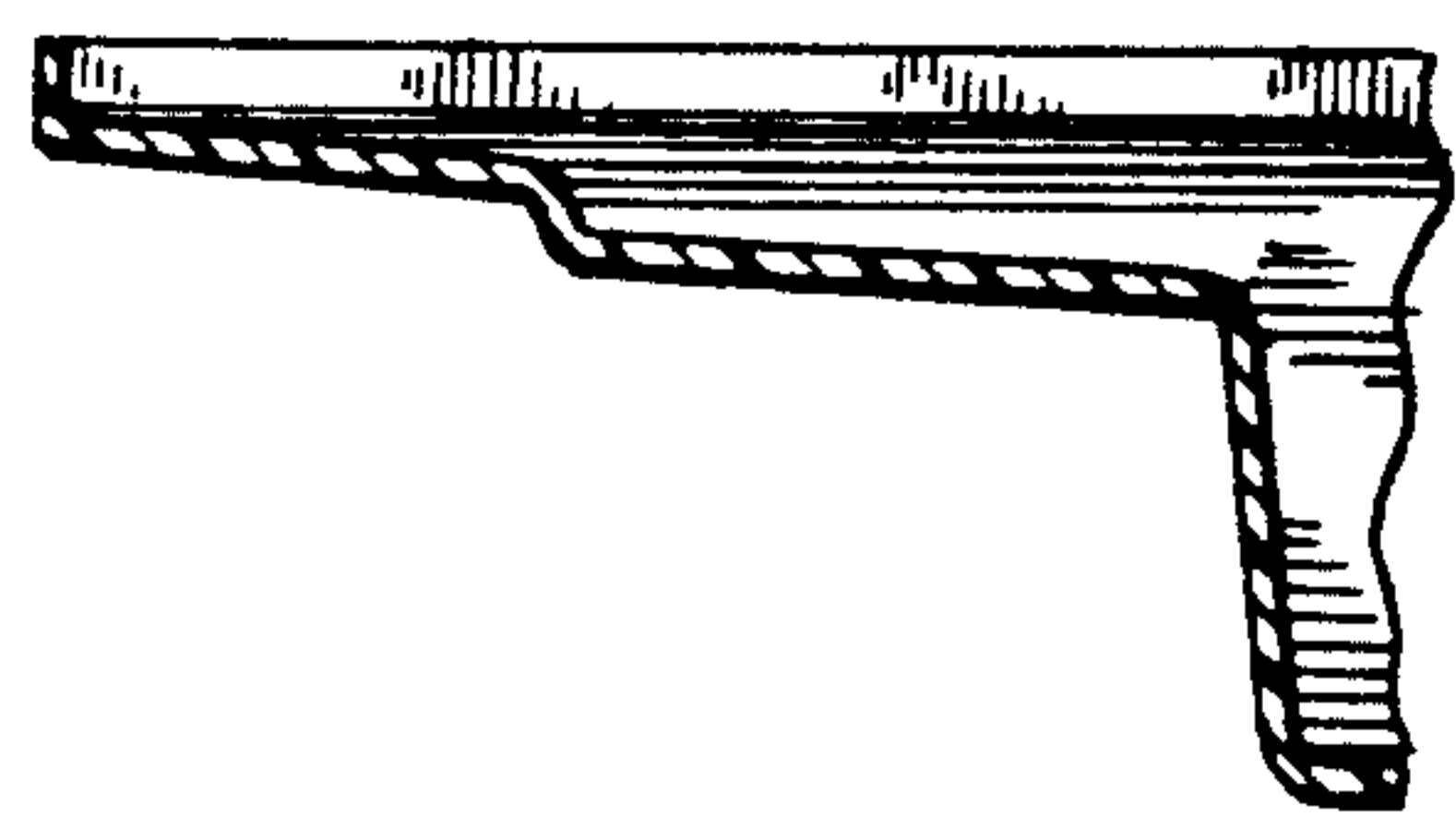


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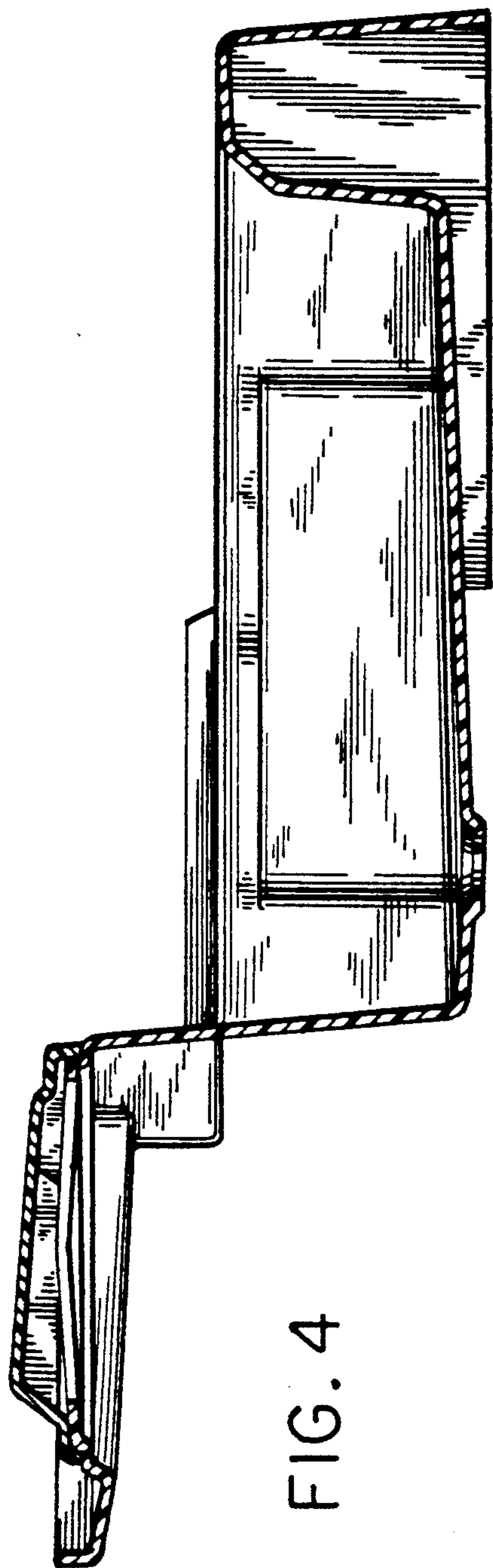


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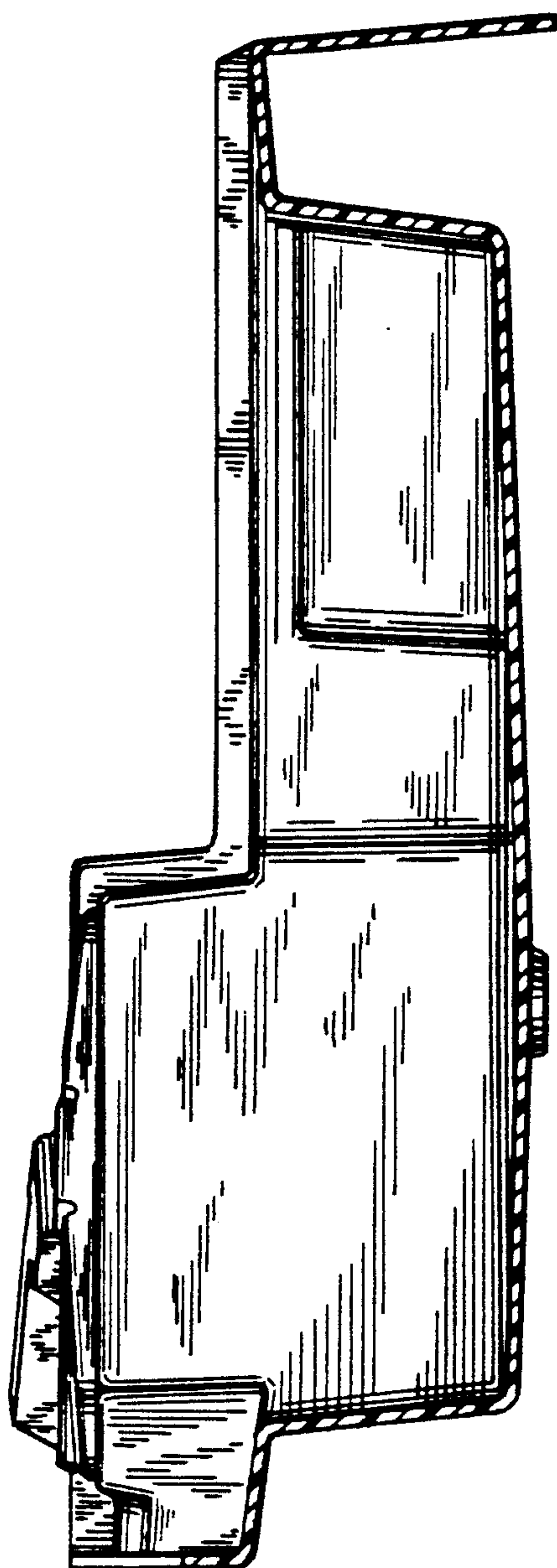


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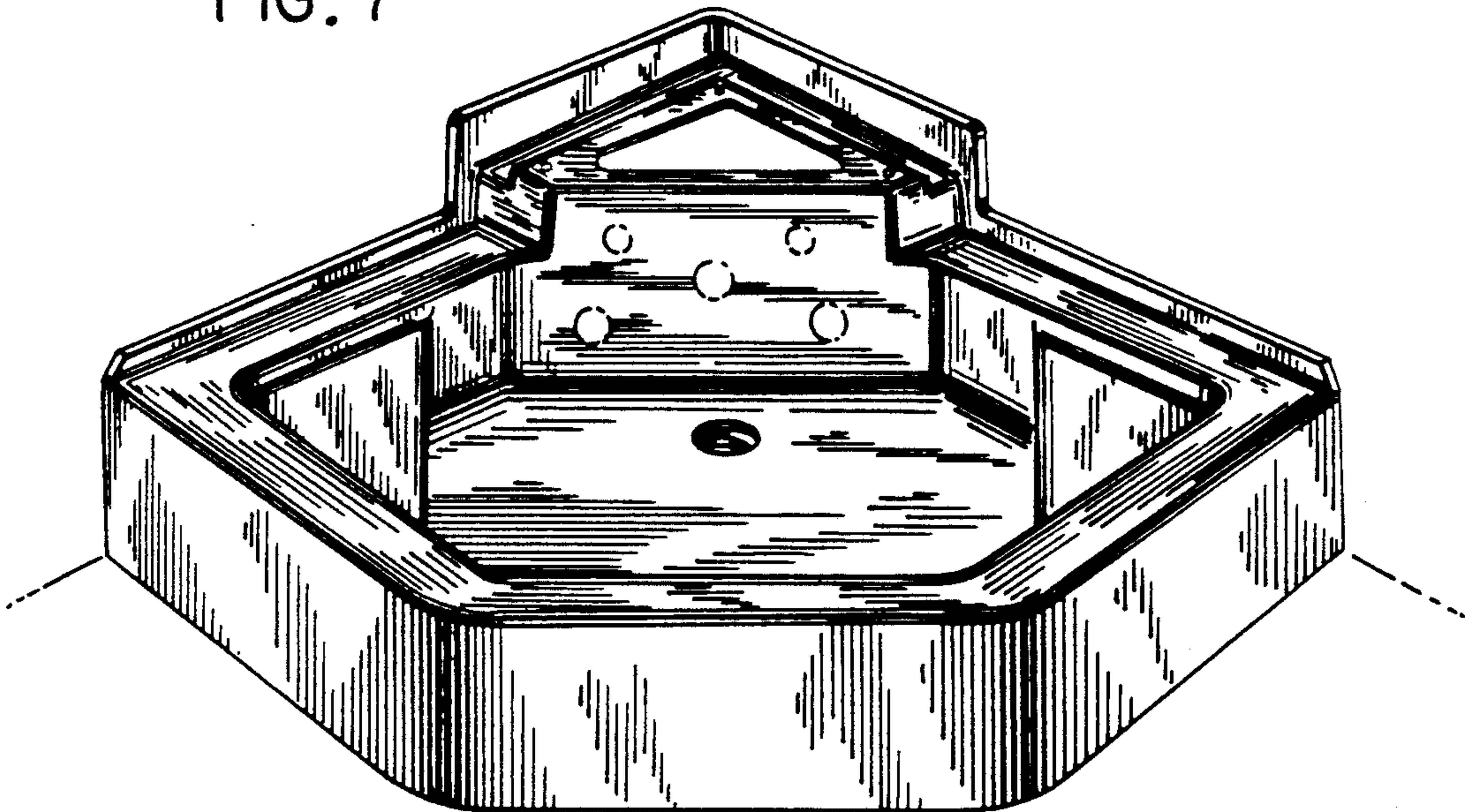
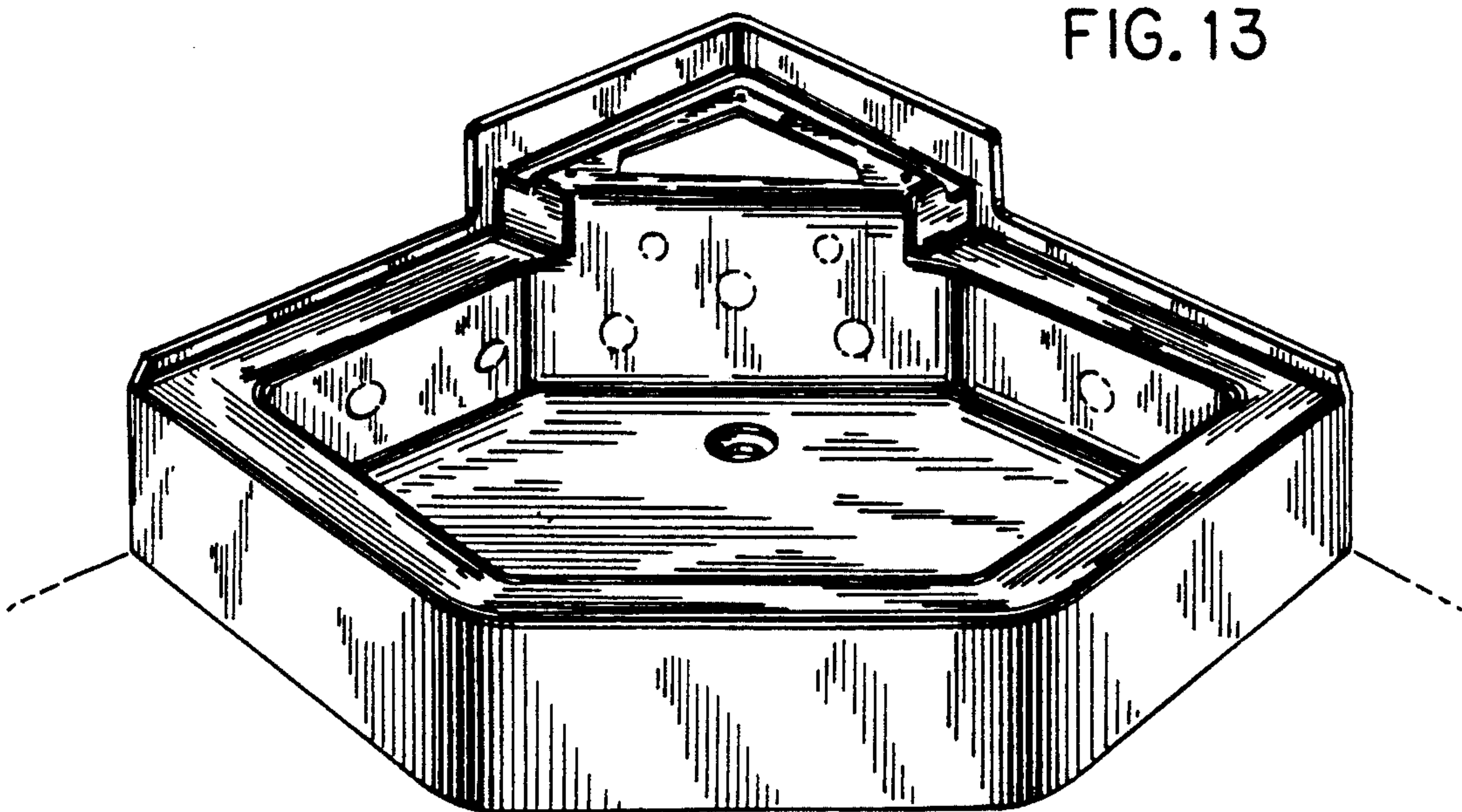


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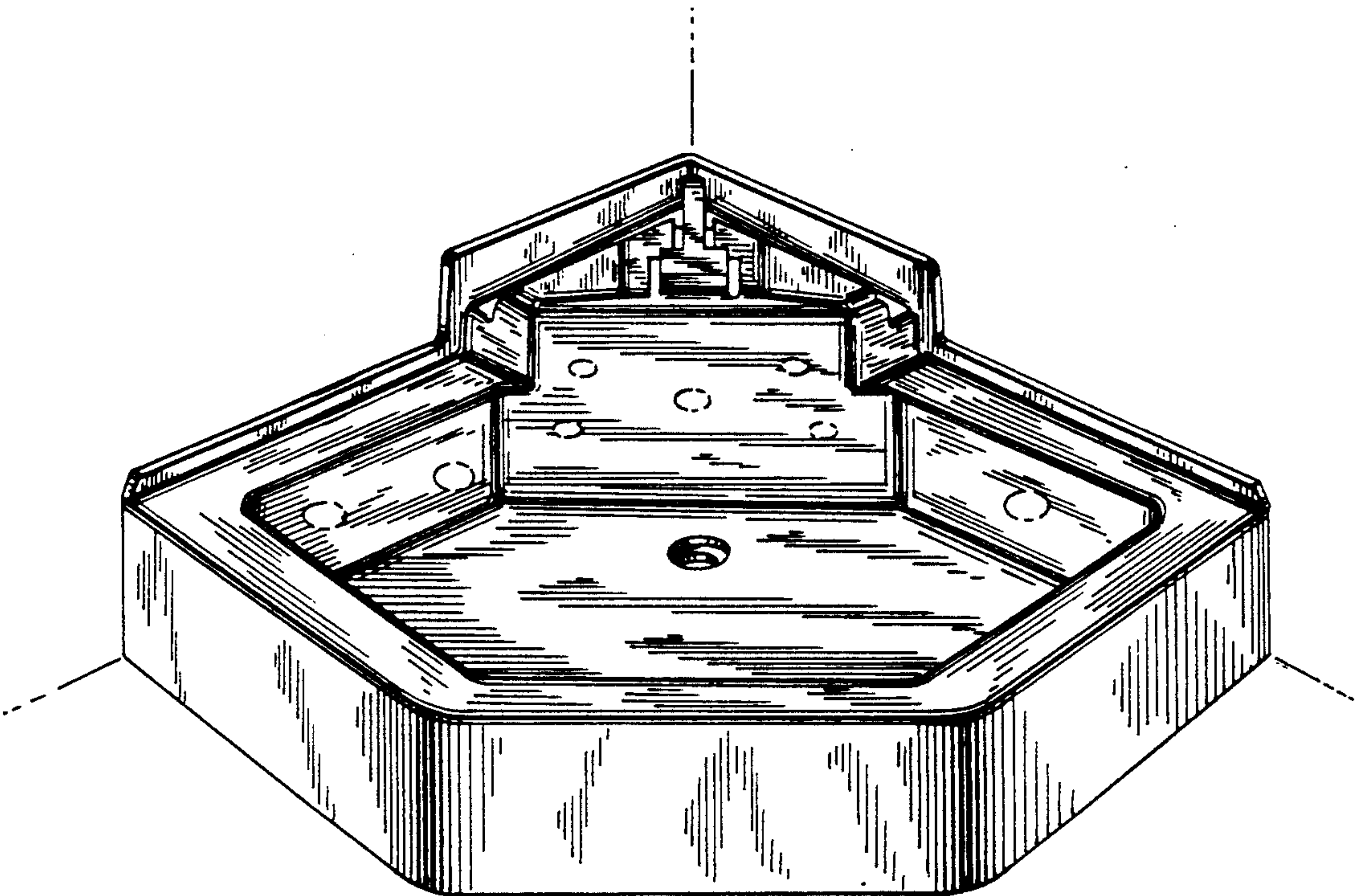


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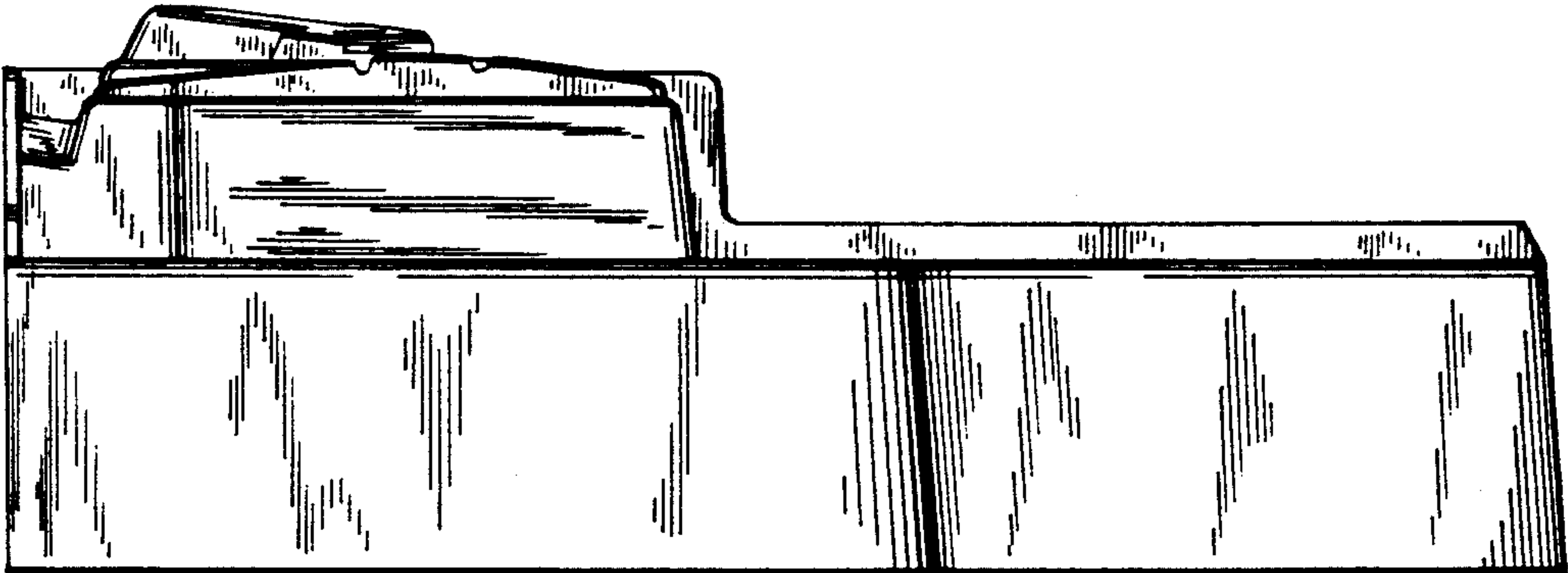


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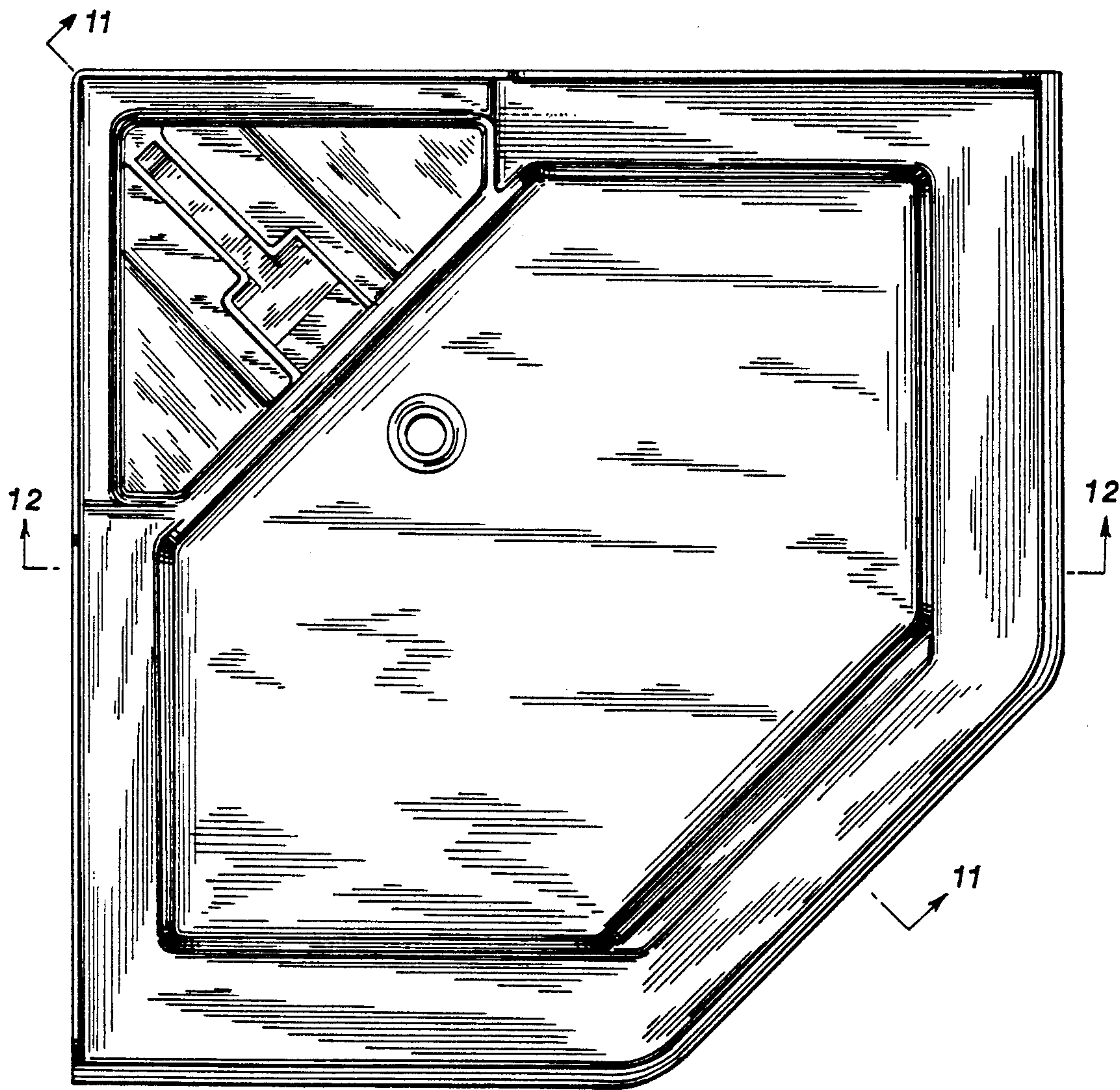


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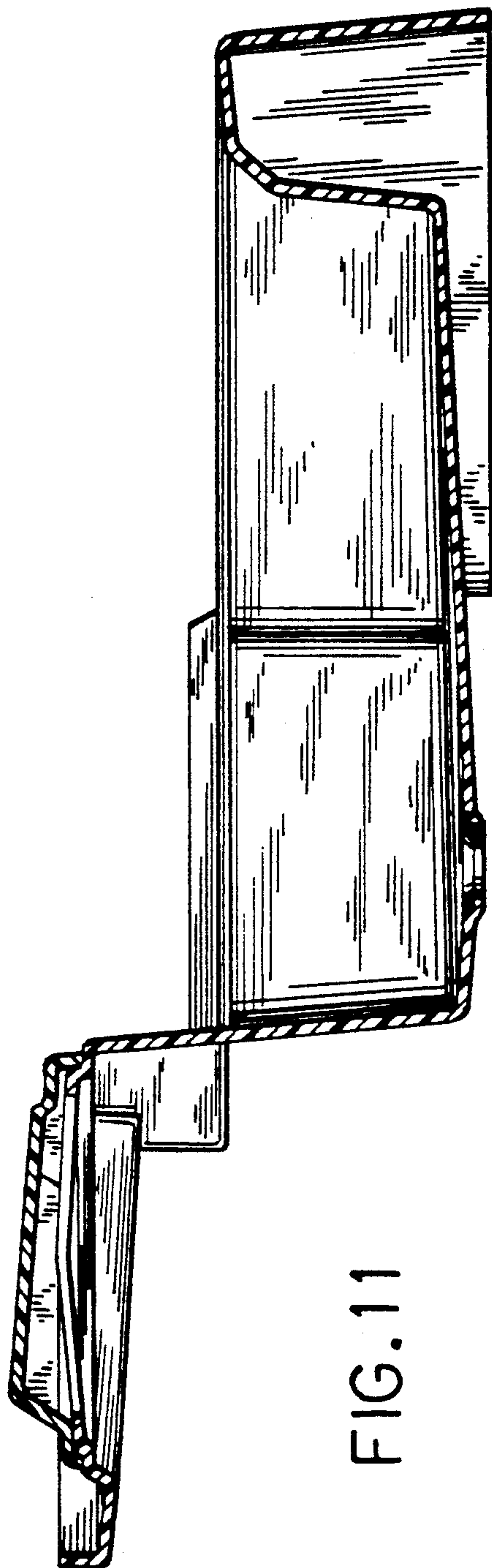


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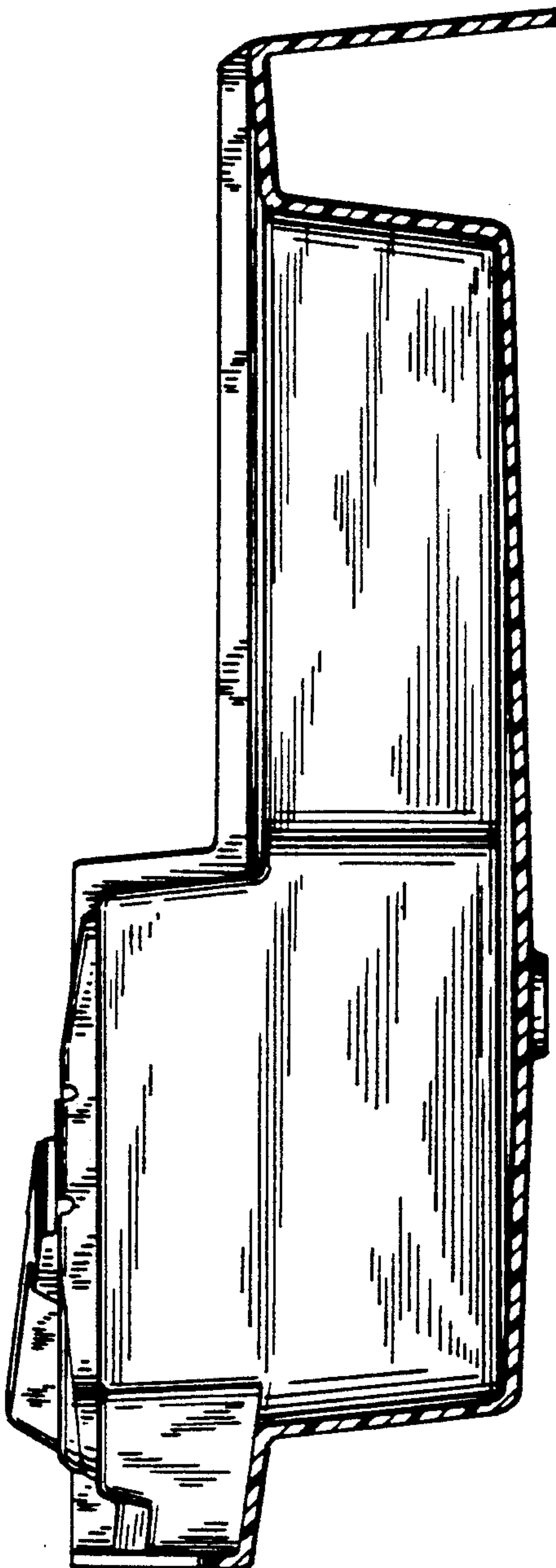


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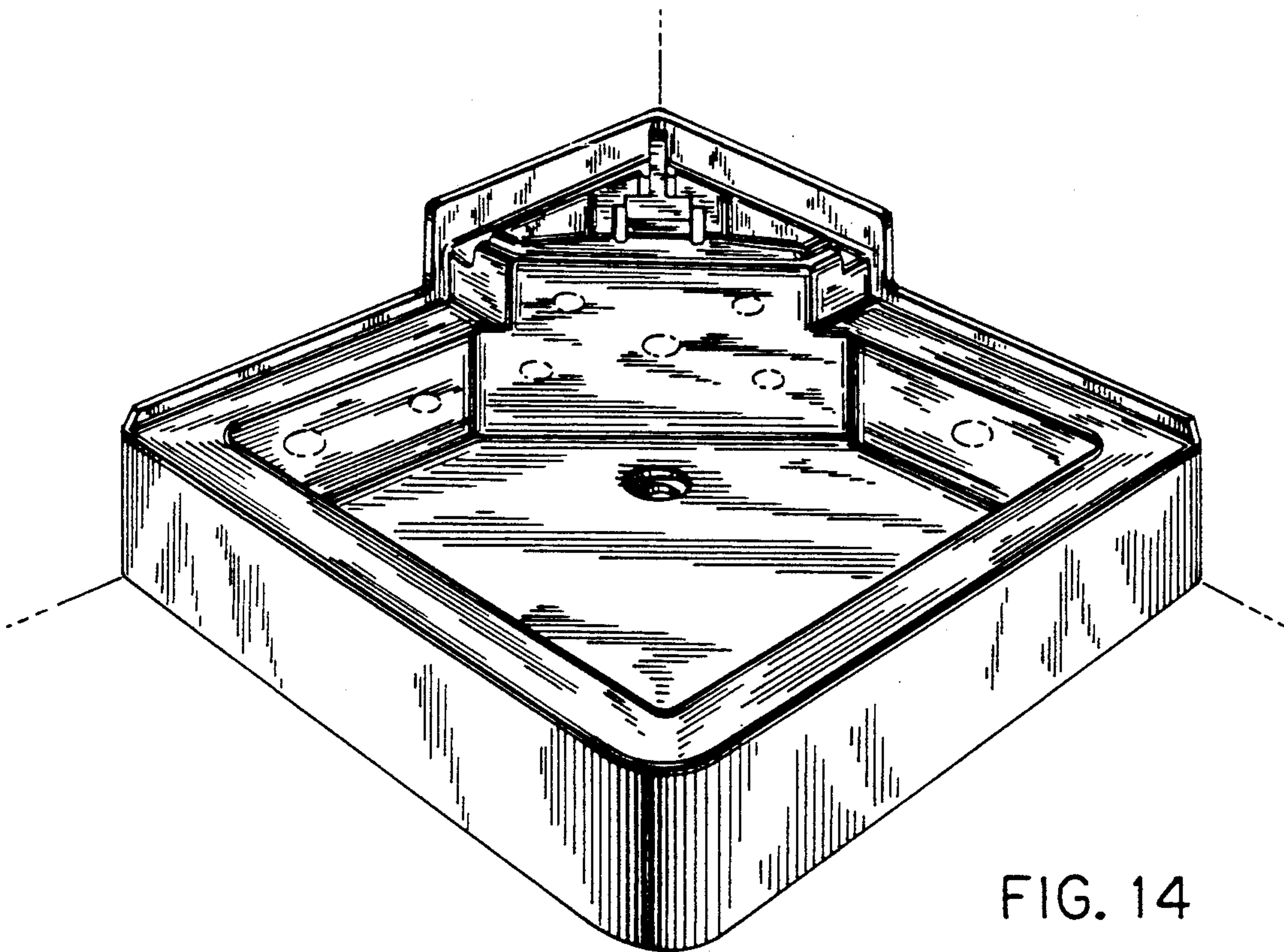


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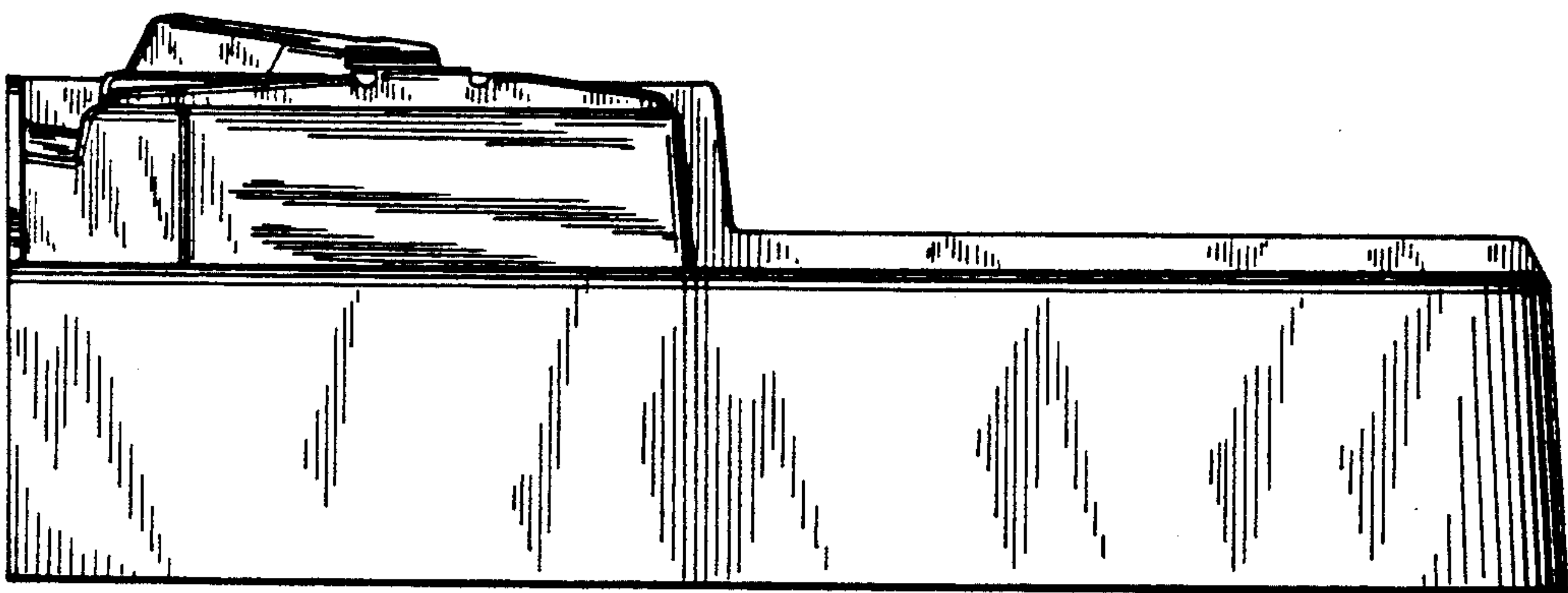


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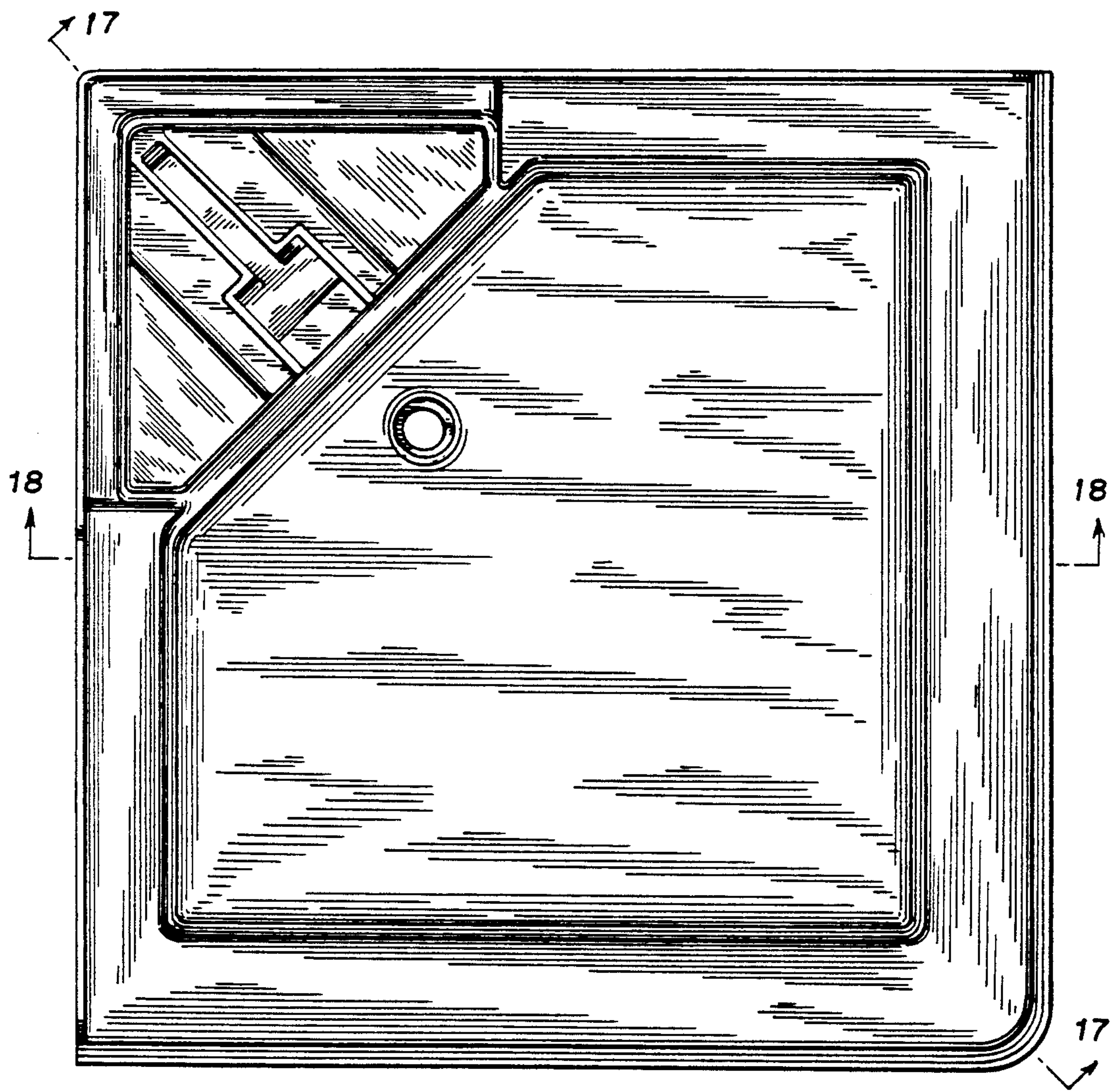
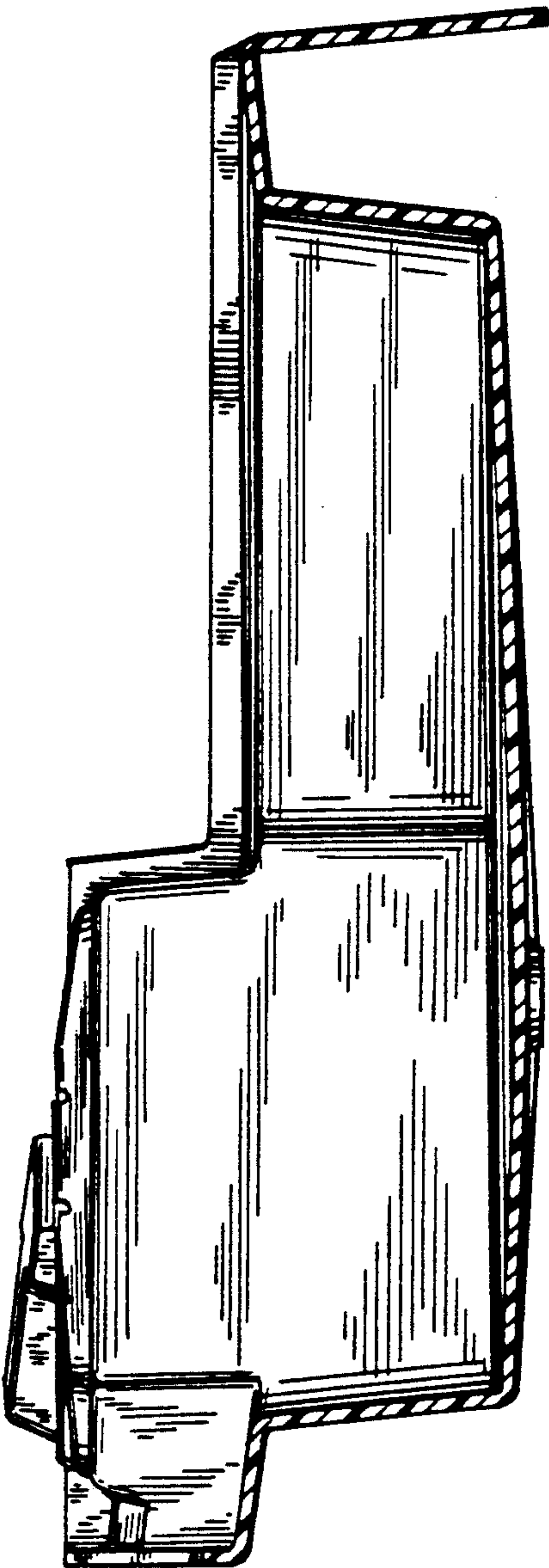
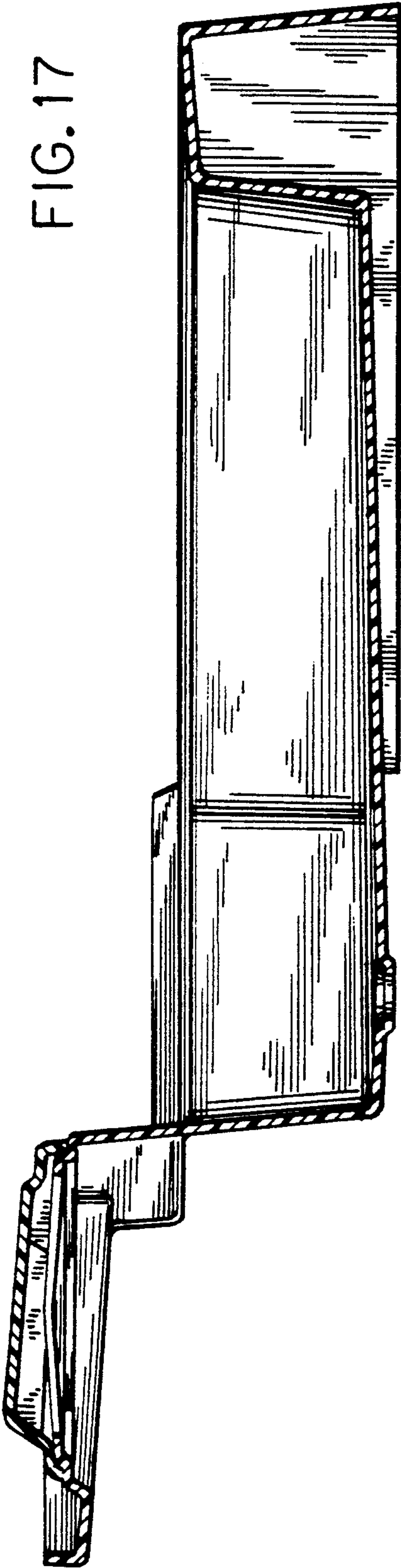


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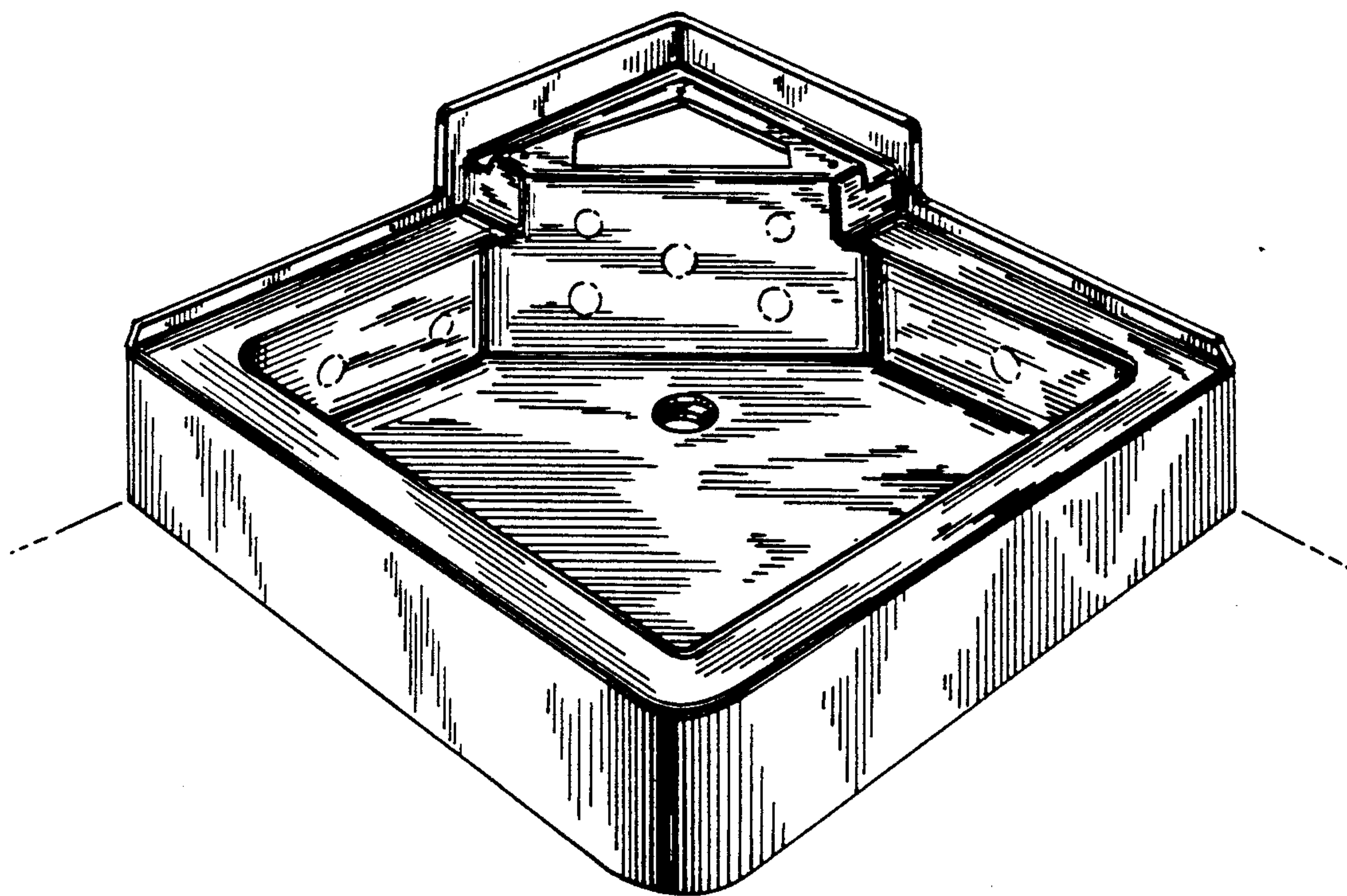


FIG. 19

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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:

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"D 96,509" should read -- D 96,507--.

"1,970,514" should read --1,940,514--.

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