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- [54] **FLOWER POT COVER**
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- Exhibit A—Speed Cover® Brochure—The Simple  
Solution . . . , ©1989.
- Exhibit A. Curtis Wagner Co., Inc., Houston, Tex.,  
shows thick, stiff shiny red plastic pot cover with large  
scalloped border. (Photograph) Date unknown.
- Exhibit B. Jacobson Pot Cover Company of Scranton,  
Pa. advertising literature. Date of first use unknown.
- Exhibit C. Photograph of pot cover, manufacturer un-  
known, but very similar to #C21 on Exhibit B (Jacob-  
son literature). Date unknown.
- Exhibit D. Photocopy of photo of pot cover (“Platform  
Pot Dresser”) made by John Raisen Corp., San Fran-  
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- Exhibit E. Photograph of 2-part pot cover system made

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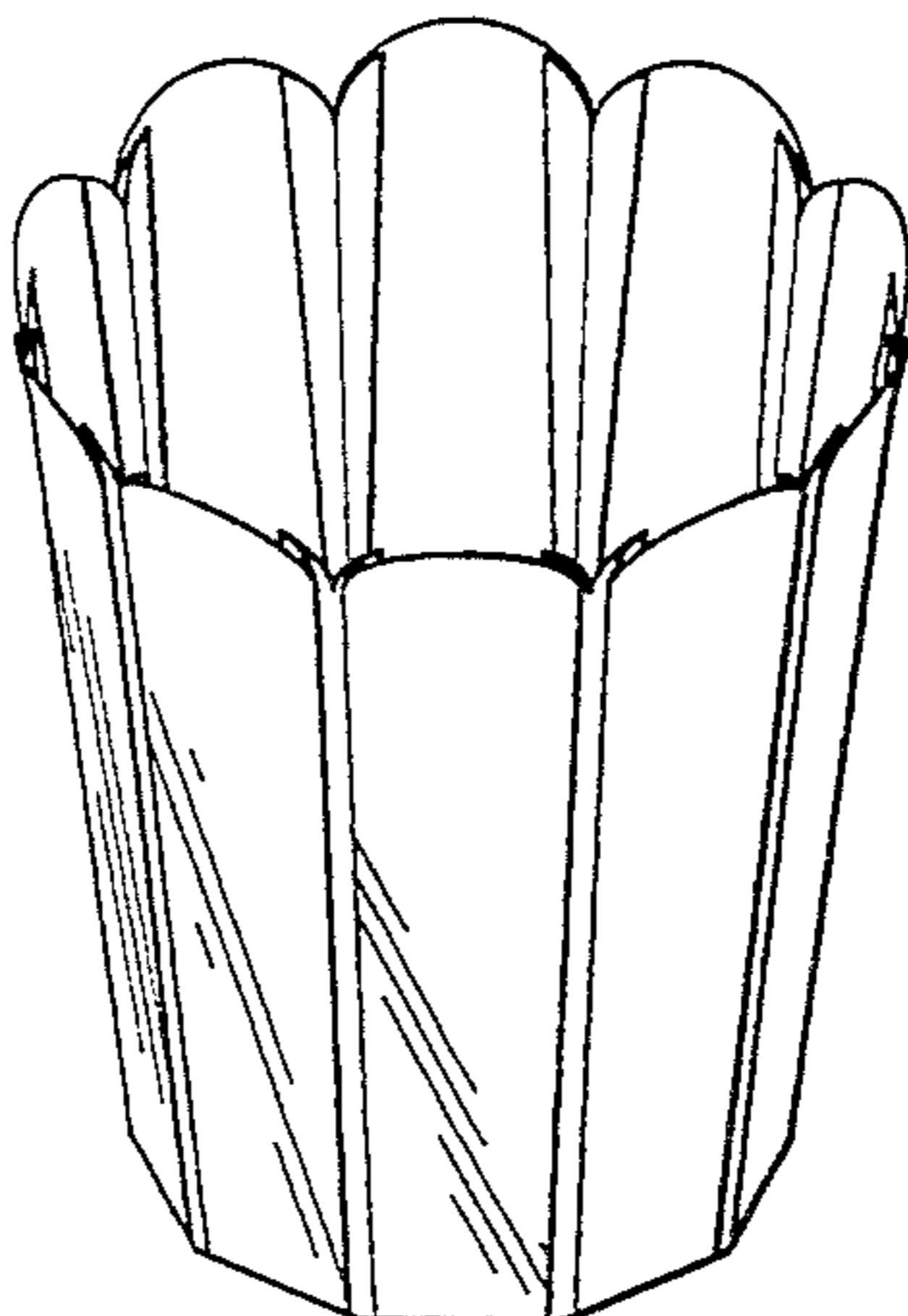
### [57] CLAIM

The ornamental design for a flower pot cover, as shown and described.

### DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of our new flower pot cover design;  
 FIG. 2 is a reduced side elevational view thereof;  
 FIG. 3 is a reduced top plan view thereof;  
 FIG. 4 is a reduced bottom plan view thereof;  
 FIG. 5 is a side elevational view of a second embodi-  
 ment of our new design; and,  
 FIG. 6 is a side elevational view of a third embodiment  
 of our new design.

The flower pot cover has no substantial thickness.



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Exhibit F. Photo of pot cover made by a Holland company (K.P.I.). Date of first public use believed to be late 1984.

Exhibit G. "The Glass of Fredrick Carder", copyright 1971 by P. V. Gardner, showing various styles of glass basket-like vases or containers.

Exhibit H. "Speed Cover®" brochure, published in 1983 by Applicants, showing various pot covers for sale.

Exhibit I. "Speed Cover®" brochure, published in 1983 by Applicants, showing various pot covers for sale.

Exhibit J. Item published in 1936 by Gellman Bros., Minneapolis, Minn. Shows an assortment of paper hats.

Exhibit K. Photo of various other flower pot wrappings, sold in rolls or sheets and used in the floral industry for years. Date unknown.

Exhibit L. Photo of pot cover made of woven straw-like material. Date unknown.

Exhibit M. Photo of basket-type pot cover used in the floral industry. Date unknown.

Exhibit N. "Speed Cover ©" brochure, published in 1984 by Applicants, showing various pot covers for sale.

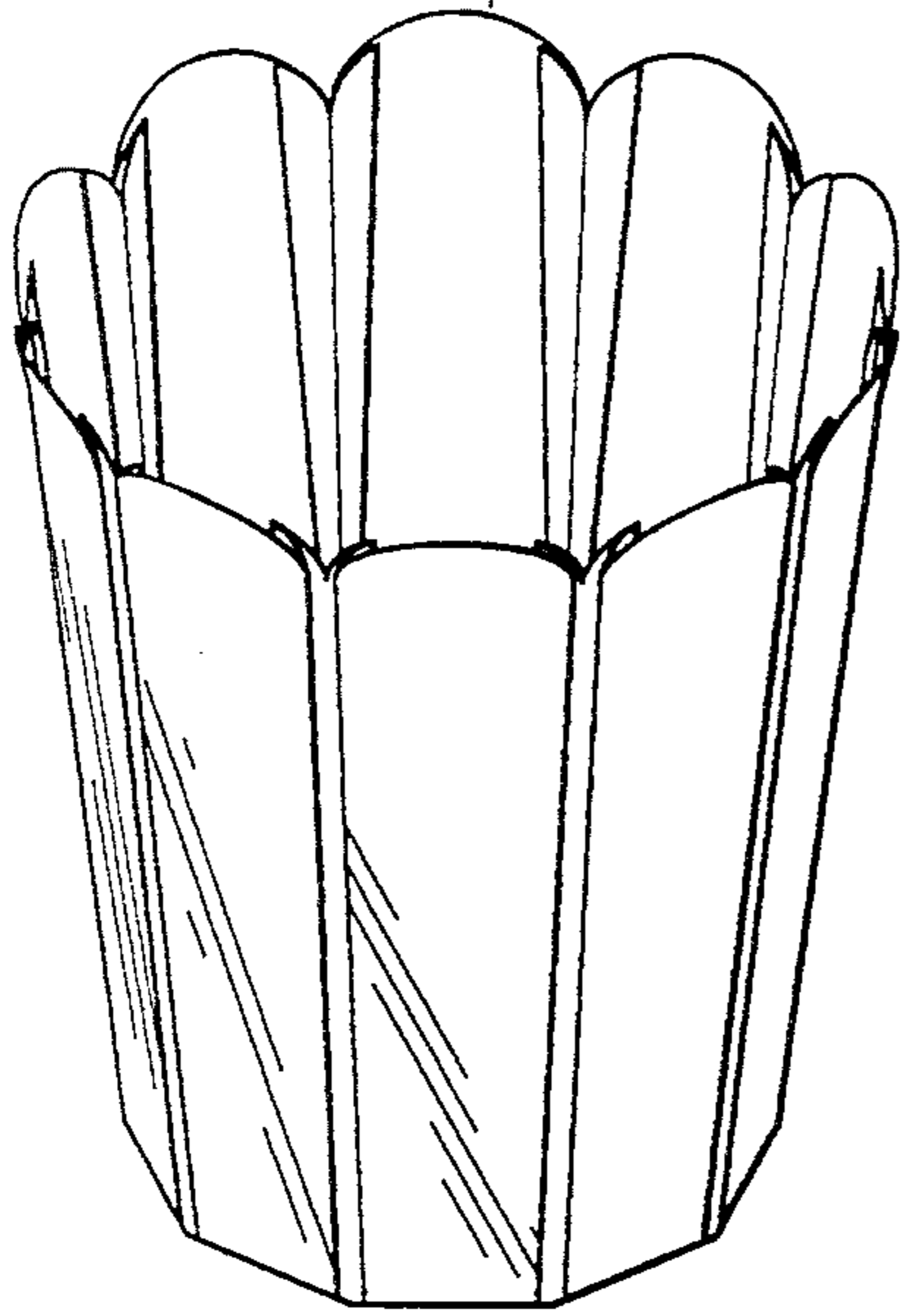


FIG. 1

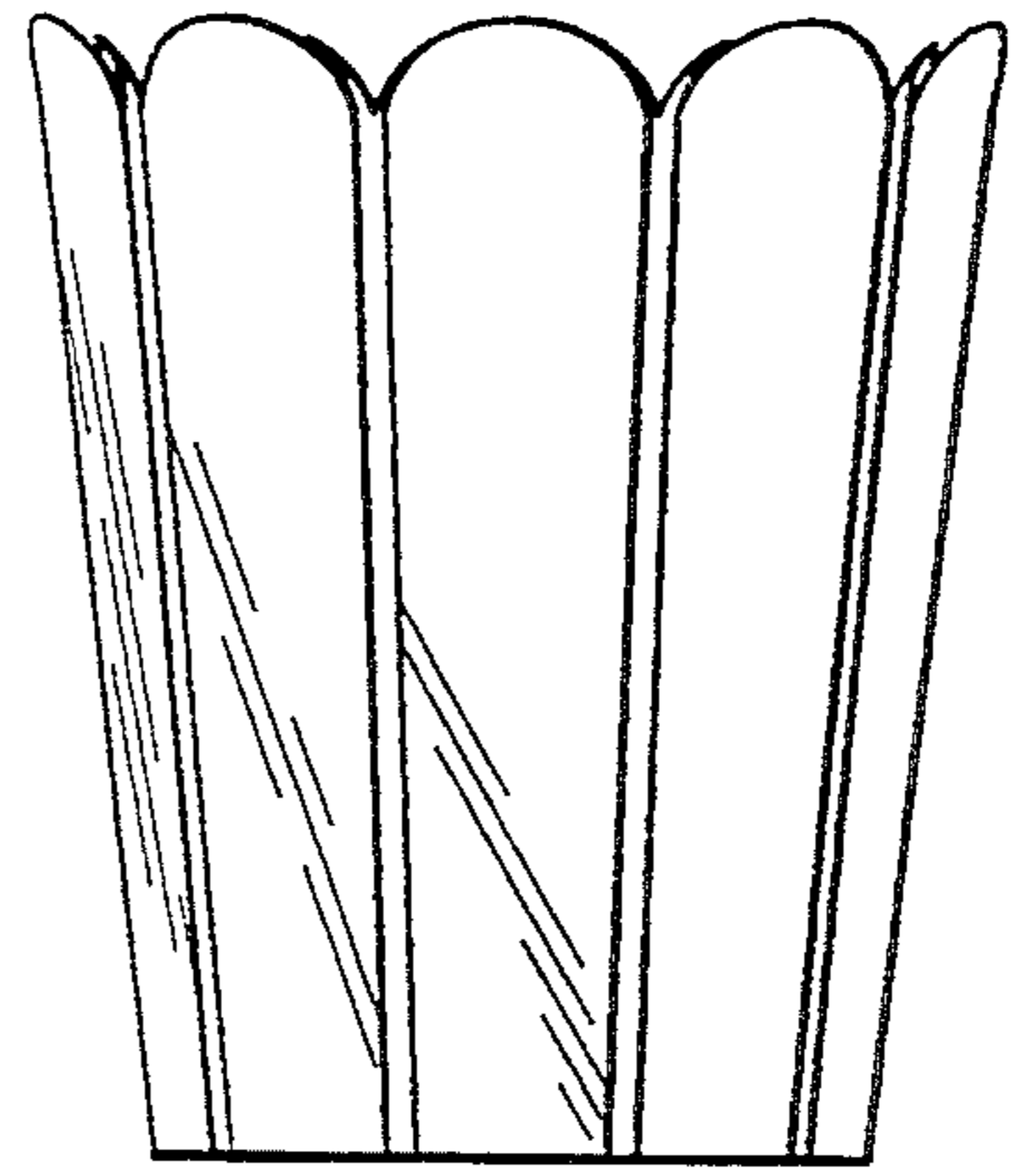


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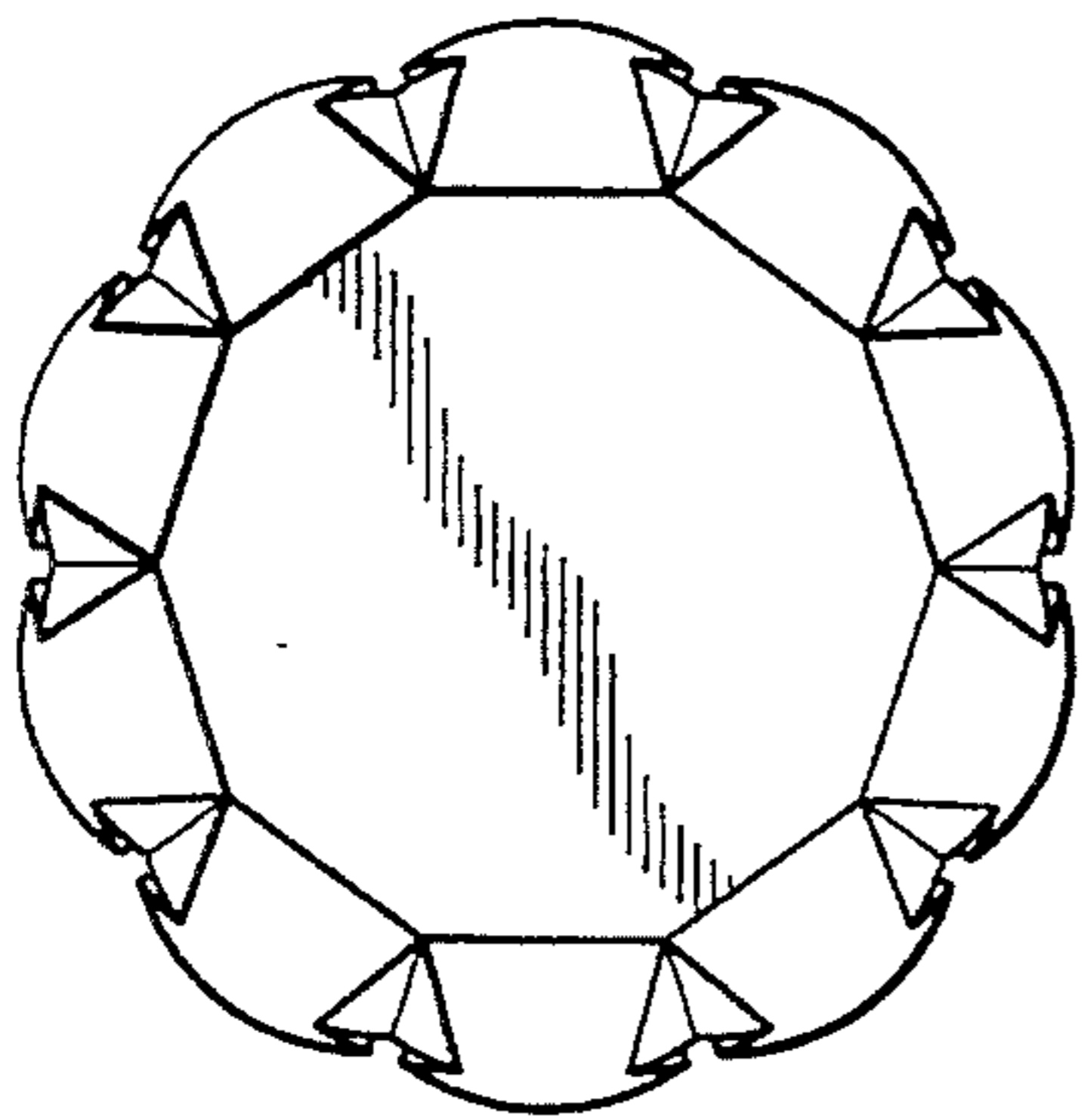


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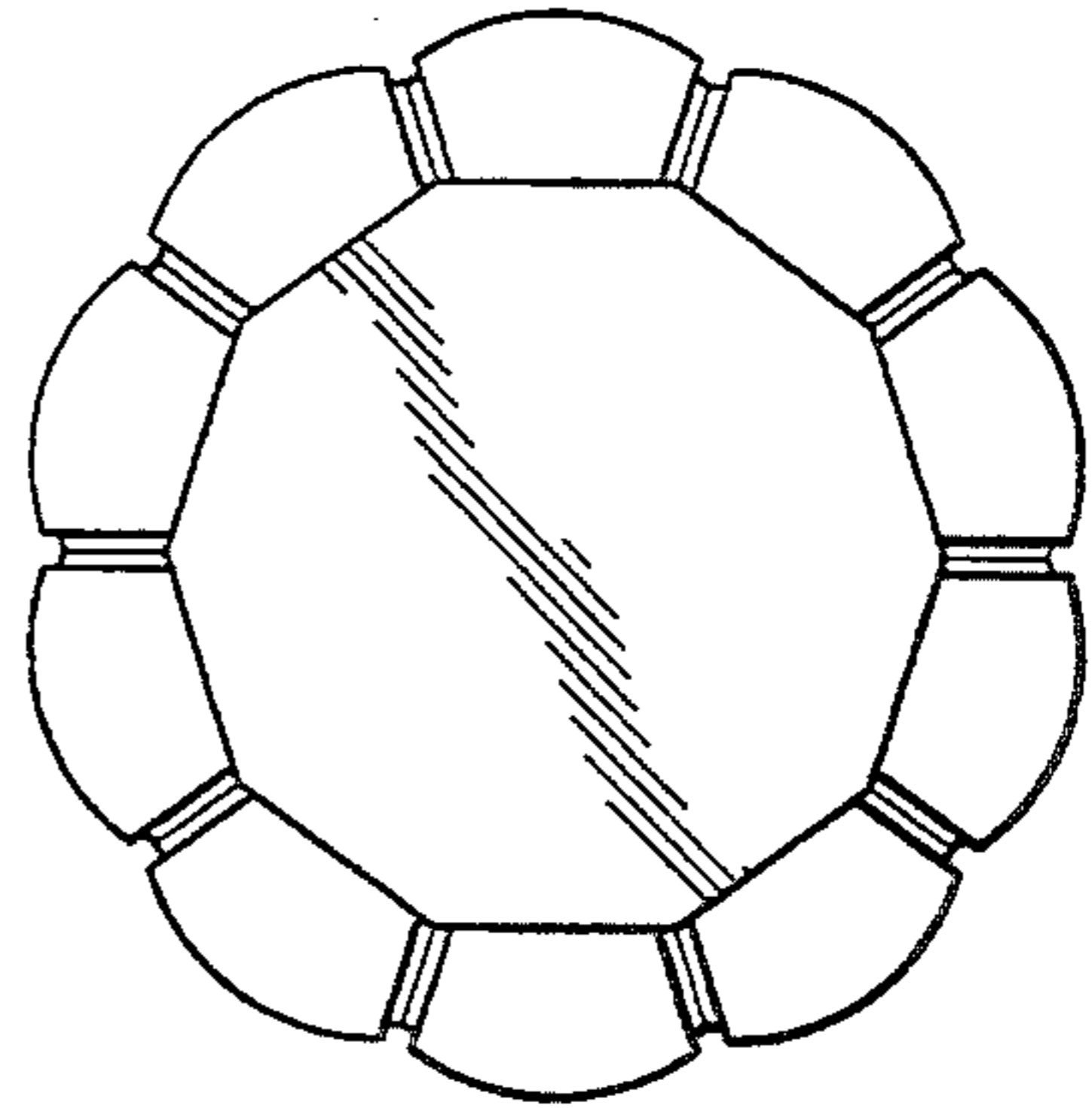


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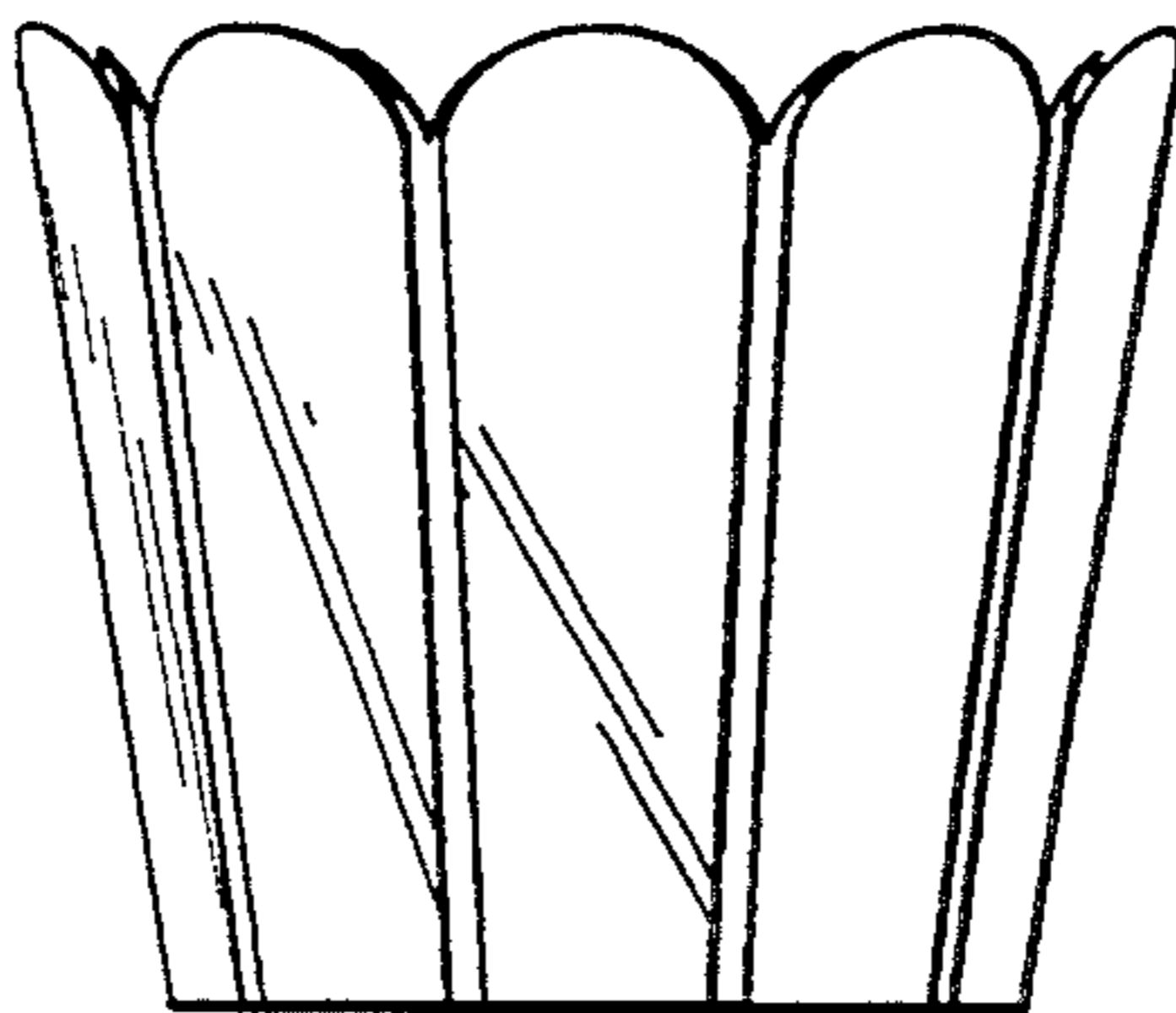
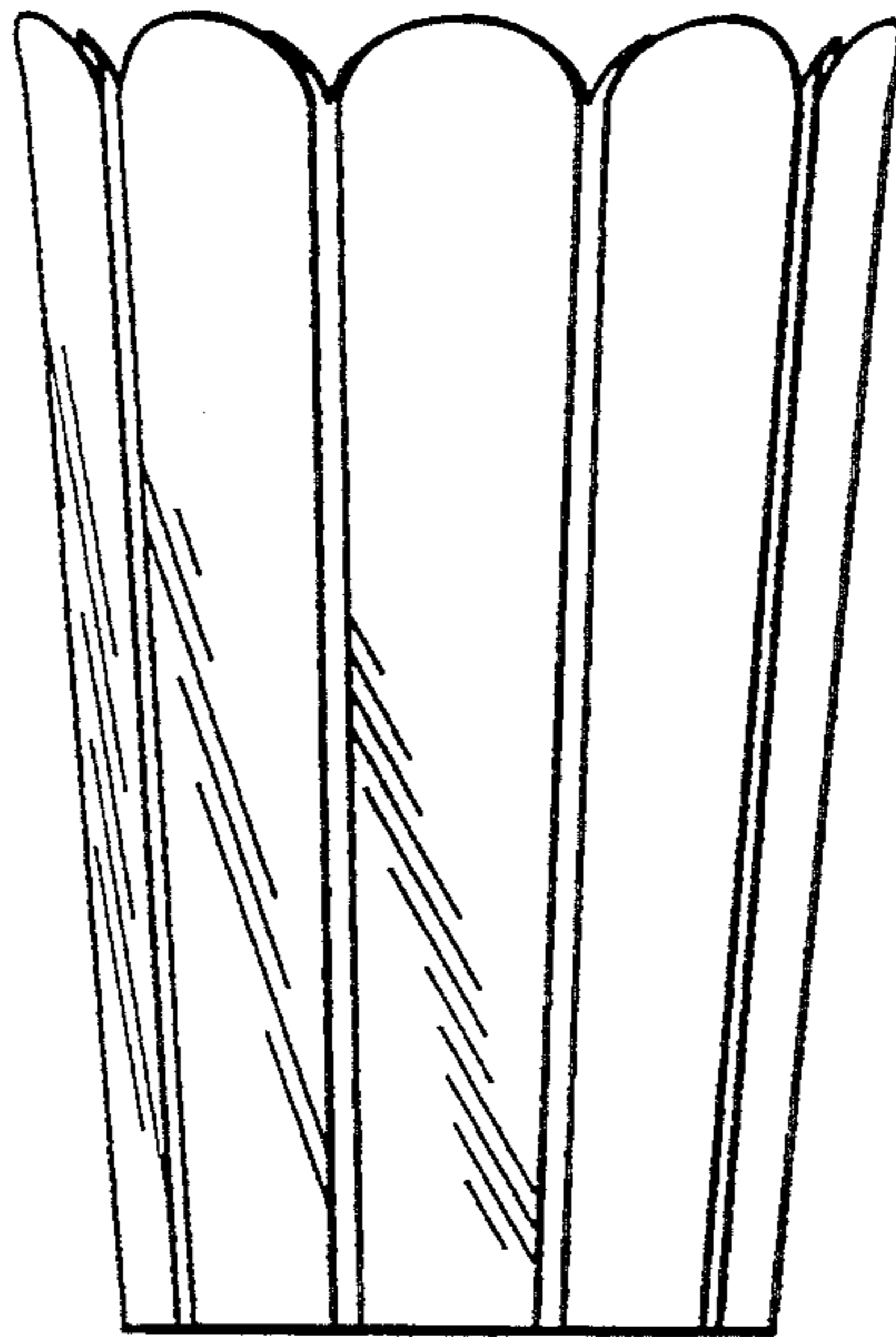


FIG. 5



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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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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:

Page 2, under U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS, please delete "4,170,619", and substitute therefor --4,170,618--.

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