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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, Pennsylvania advertising literature. Date of first use unknown.

Exhibit C. Photograph of pot cover, manufacturer unknown, but very similar to #C21 on Exhibit B (Jacobson literature).
Exhibit D. Photocopy of photo of pot cover ("Platform Pot Dresser") made by John Raisen Corp., San Francisco, Calif. Date of first use unknown.

Exhibit E. Photograph of 2-part pot cover system made by Floral Decor, subsidiary of John Henry Co., Lansing Mich.

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 Frederick 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.

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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 top plan view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a reduced bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a reduced side elevational view thereof;

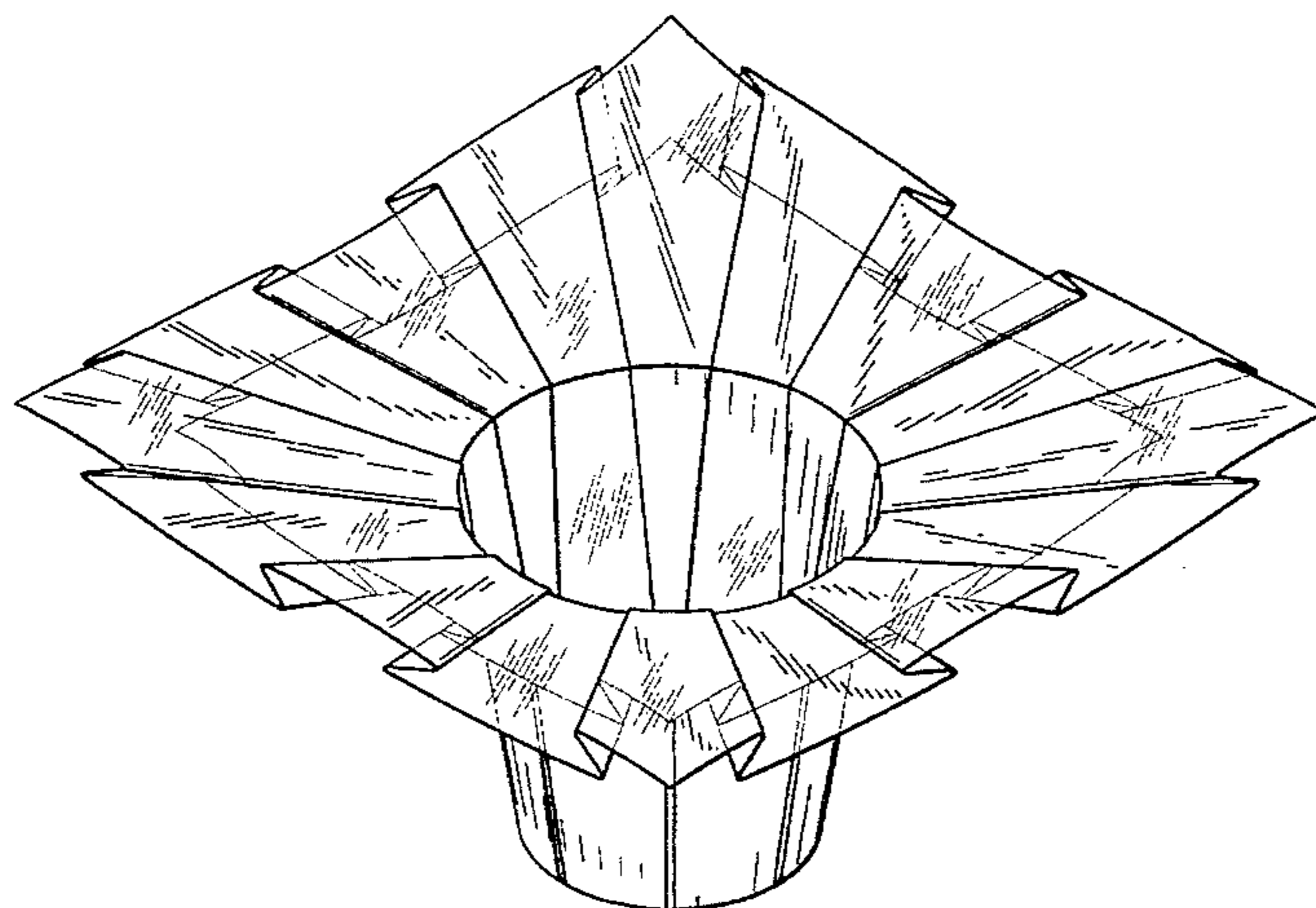
FIG. 5 is a reduced side elevational view of the design of FIG. 1, the only difference being the angle of the skirt; and,

FIG. 6 is a reduced side elevational view of the design of FIG. 1, the only difference being the angle of the skirt.

The flower pot cover has no substantial thickness.

The characteristic feature of the design resides in the specific pleating arrangement comprised of the parallel disposition of the exterior folds in combination with the interior V-shaped folds all as best shown in FIG. 1.

1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets



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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.

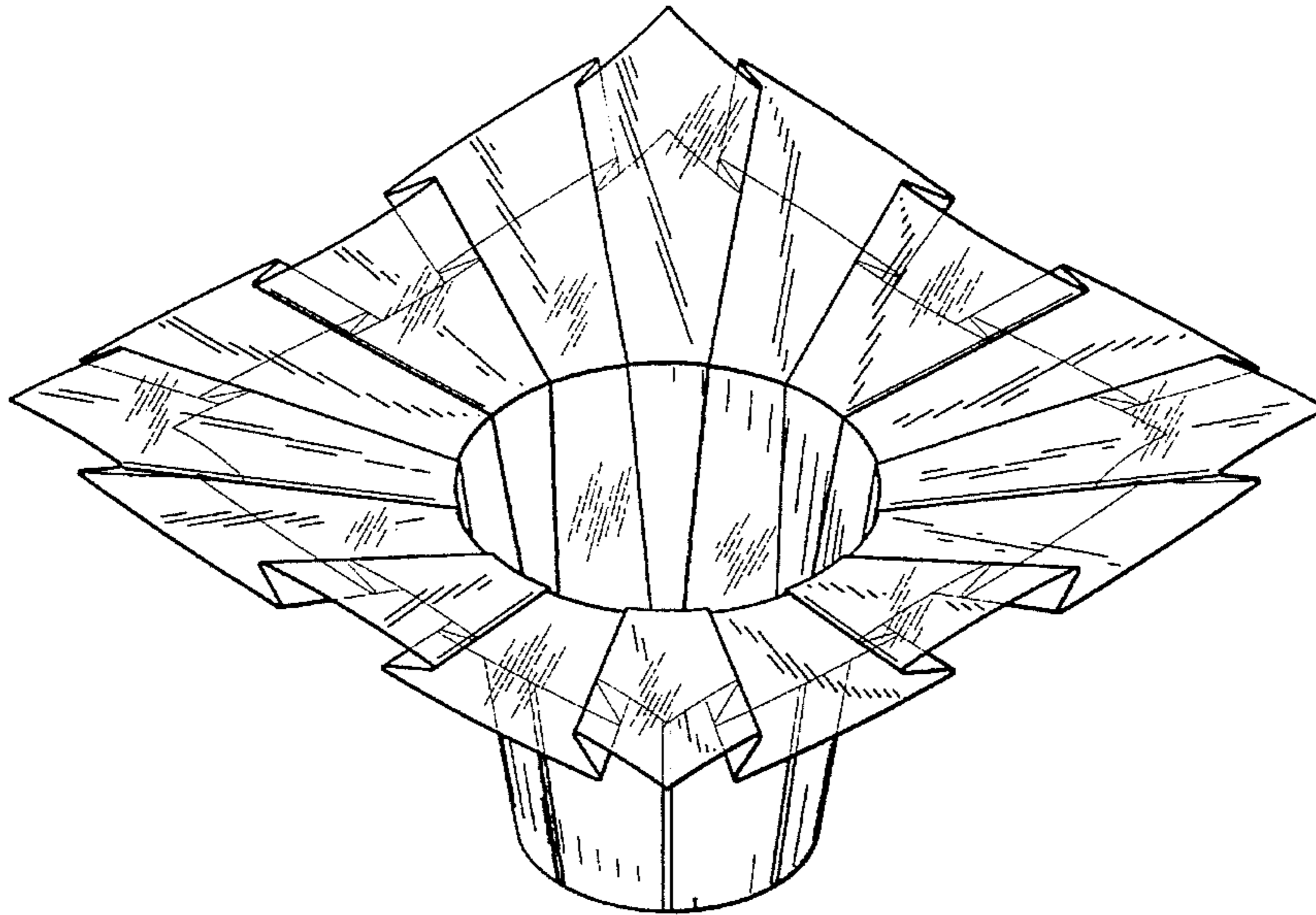


FIG. 1

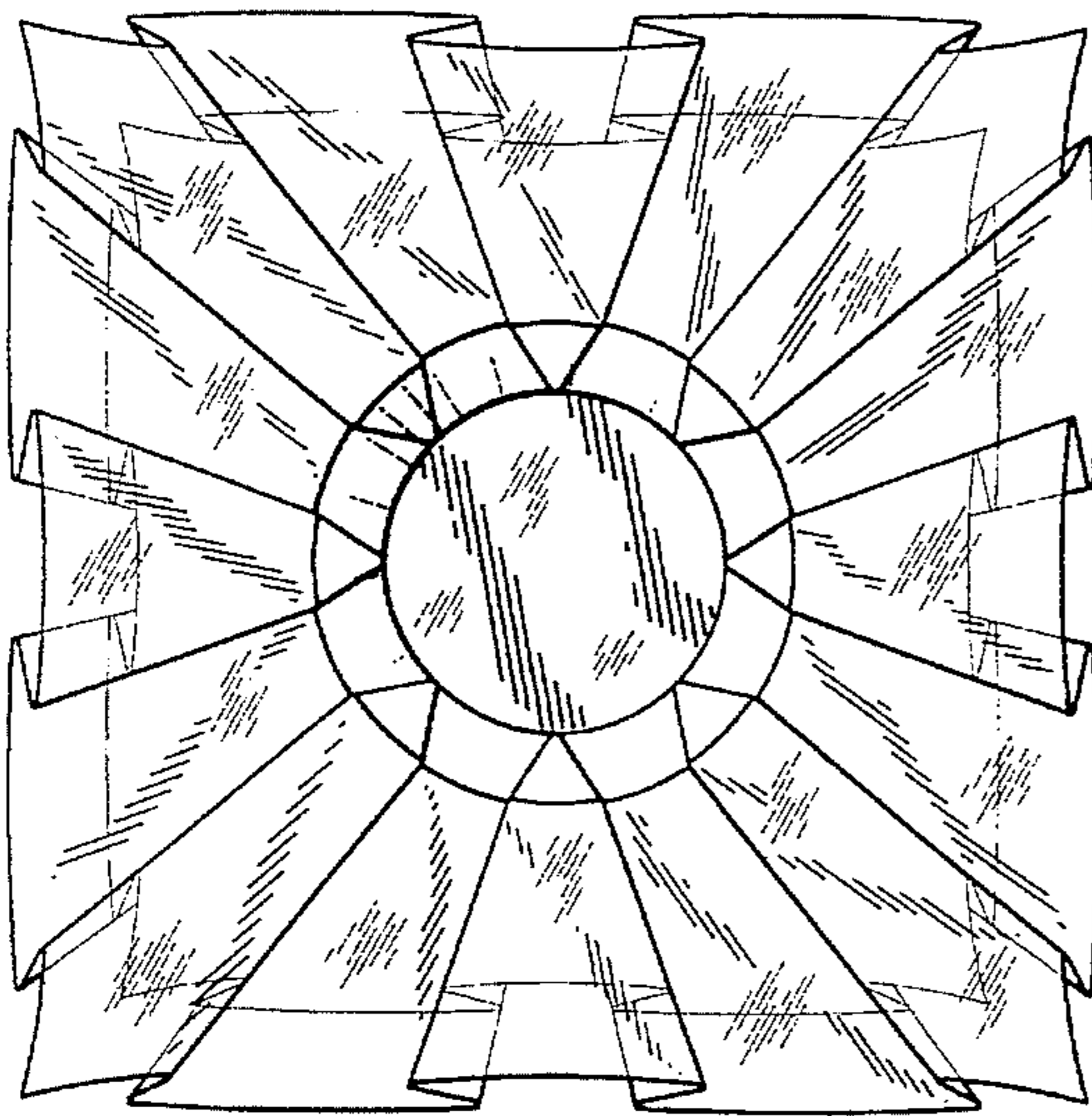


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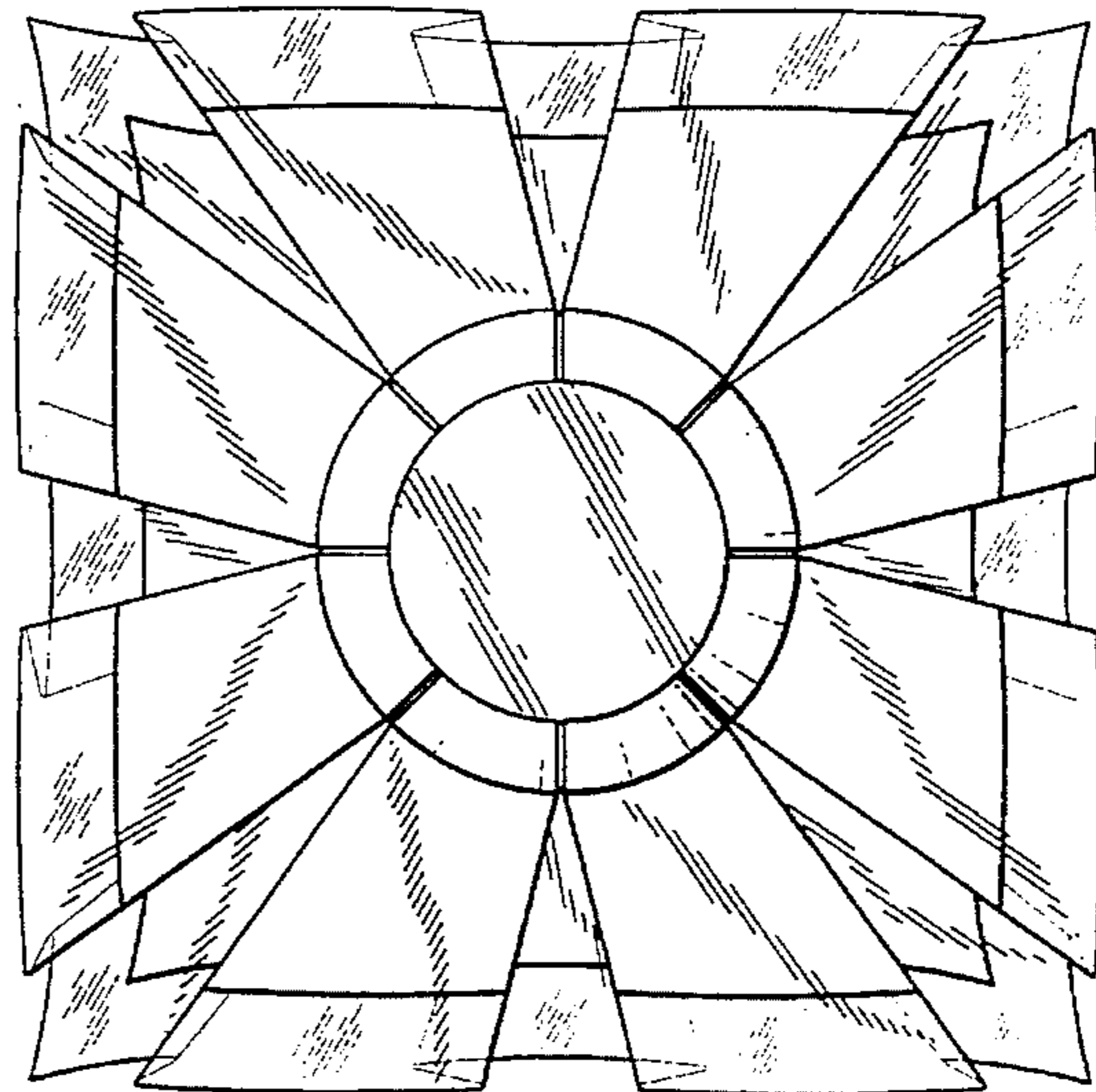


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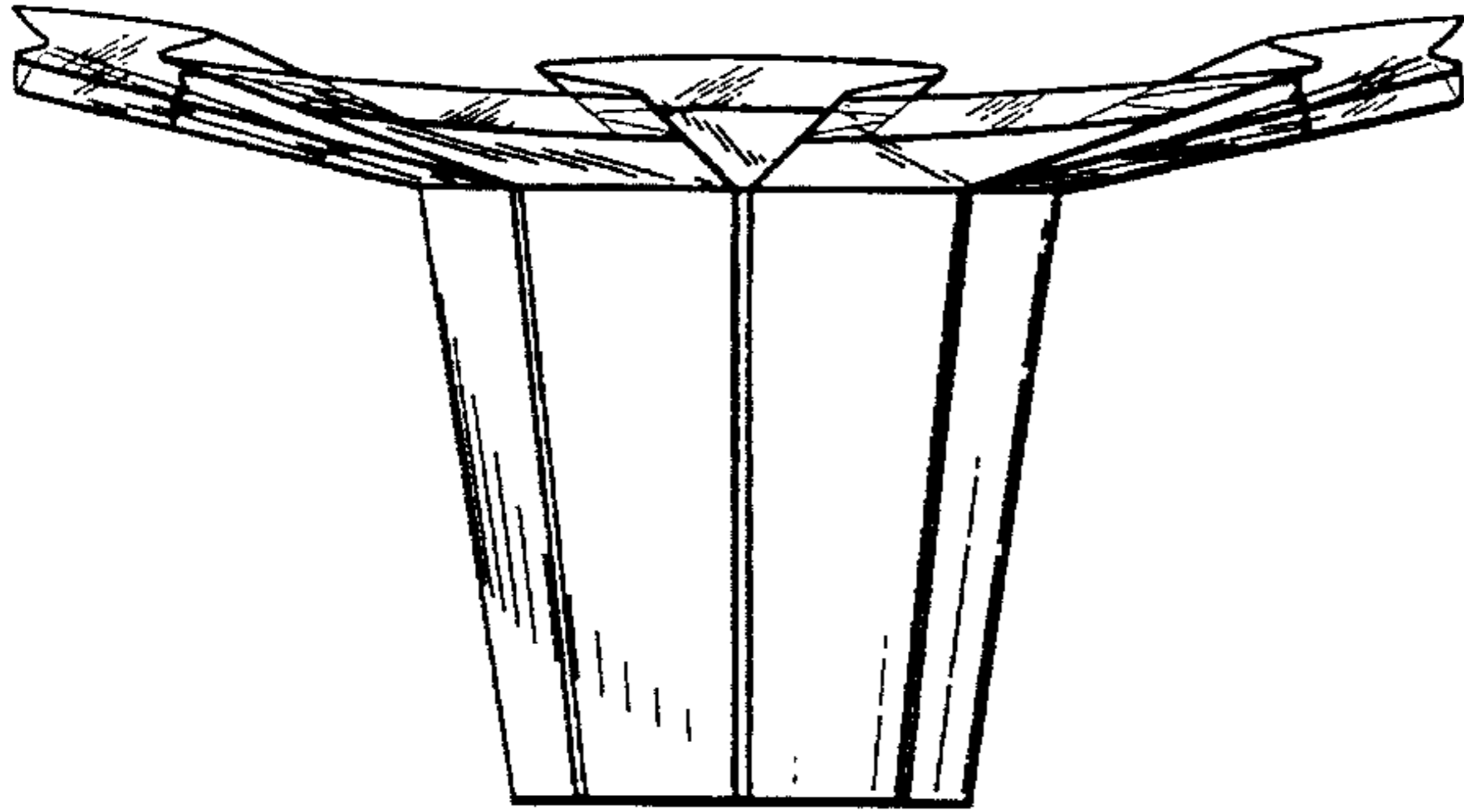


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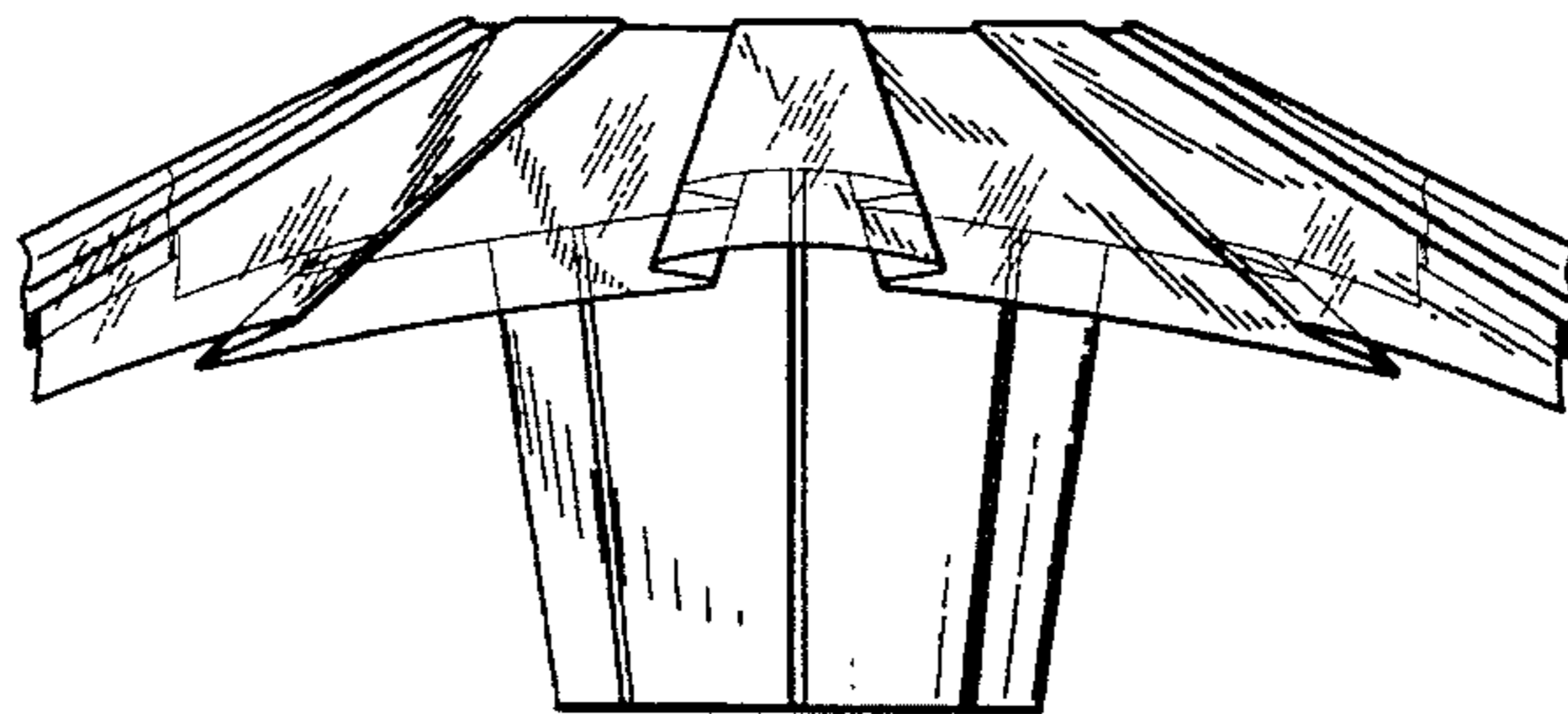


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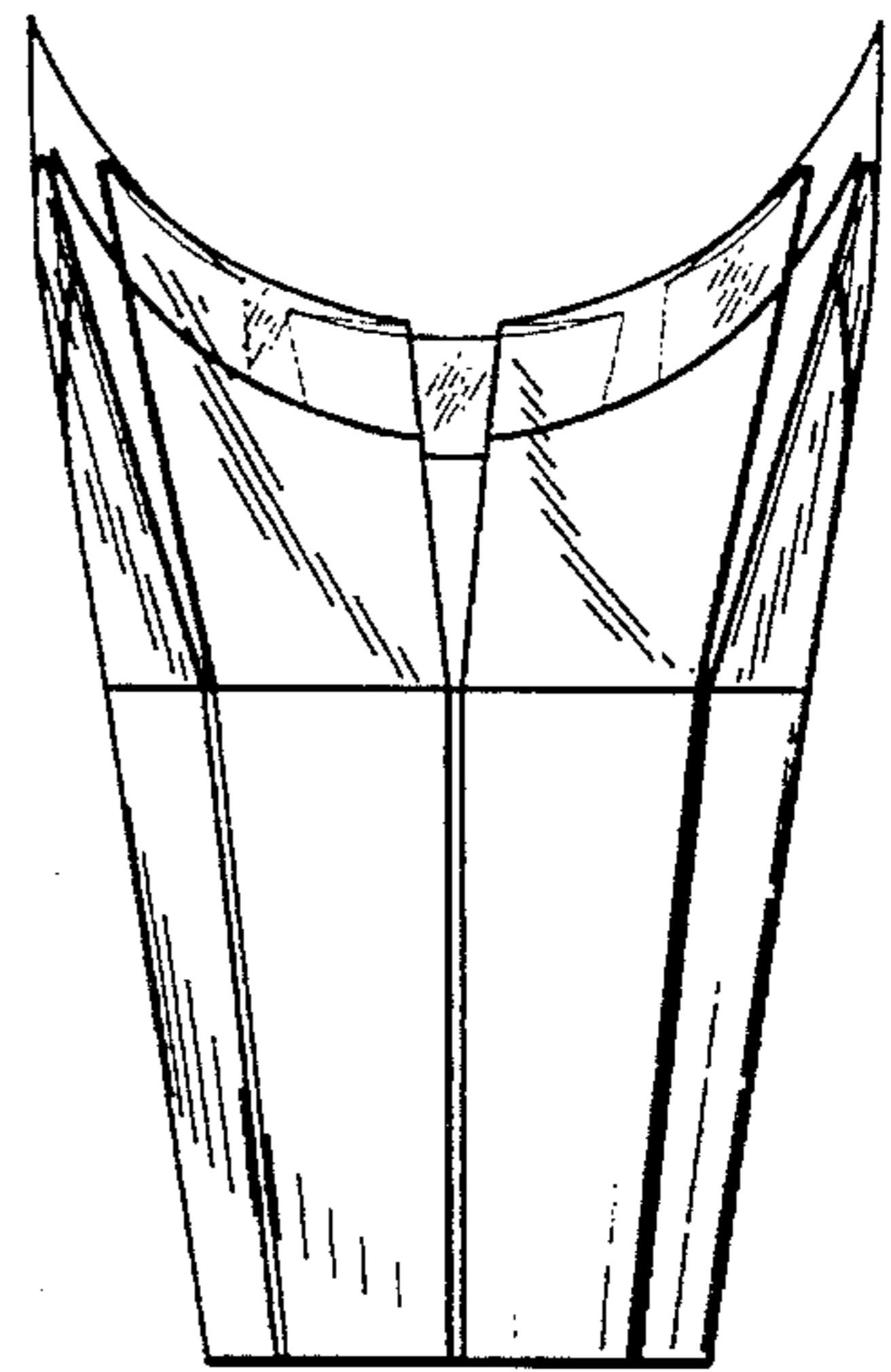


FIG. 6

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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:

On the Title page, item [*] Notice: should read -- The portion of the term of this patent subsequent to September 17, 2005, has been disclaimed. ---

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