



US00D387255S

**United States Patent** [19]  
**Rhoton**

[11] **Patent Number:** **Des. 387,255**  
[45] **Date of Patent:** **\*\*Dec. 9, 1997**

[54] **COMBINED GAS CAP REMOVAL AND  
TIGHTENING DEVICE**

5,003,845 4/1991 Roy et al. .  
5,003,848 4/1991 Ceccucci, Jr. .

[76] **Inventor:** **Ray G. Rhoton**, P.O. Box 961, Leland,  
Mich. 49654

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

408582 1/1910 France ..... 81/124.7

[\*\*] **Term:** **14 Years**

*Primary Examiner*—Prabhakar G. Deshmukh  
*Assistant Examiner*—Richelle Shelton  
*Attorney, Agent, or Firm*—Douglas S. Bishop

[21] **Appl. No.:** **58,836**

[22] **Filed:** **Aug. 26, 1996**

[57] **CLAIM**

[51] **LOC (6) Cl.** ..... **08-05**

[52] **U.S. Cl.** ..... **D8/21**

[58] **Field of Search** ..... D8/14, 21-29;  
81/3.07, 3.4, 119, 124.2, 124.7, 125, 176.15,  
176.2, 177.1

The ornamental design for a combined gas cap removal and  
tightening device, as shown.

**DESCRIPTION**

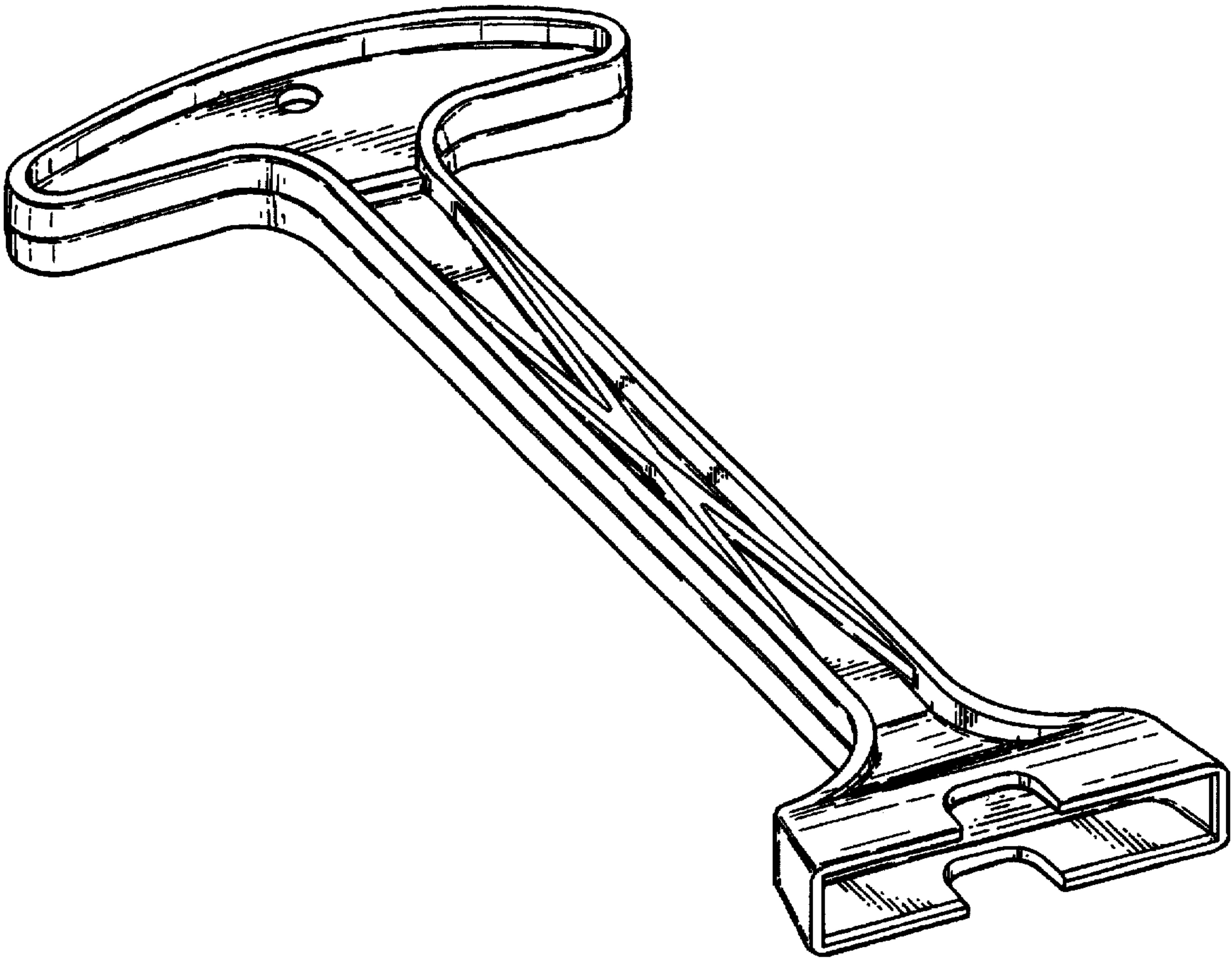
FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a combined gas cap removal  
and tightening device, of the present invention;  
FIG. 2 is a bottom plan view of the combined gas cap  
removal and tightening device of FIG. 1;  
FIG. 3 is a top plan view of the combined gas cap removal  
and tightening device of FIG. 1;  
FIG. 4 is a front elevational view of the combined gas cap  
removal and tightening device of FIG. 1; and,  
FIG. 5 is a side elevational view of the combined gas cap  
removal and tightening device as seen from either side of  
FIG. 1.

[56] **References Cited**

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

D. 357,617 4/1995 Morrisette ..... D8/21  
D. 364,789 12/1995 Degyansky ..... D8/21  
D. 369,286 4/1996 Tackman ..... D8/21  
2,881,648 4/1959 Hottle ..... D8/27 X  
3,213,720 10/1965 Wallis et al. .... 81/119 X  
4,697,480 10/1987 Robideau .  
4,836,065 6/1989 Setliff .  
4,846,025 7/1989 Keller et al. .

**1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets**



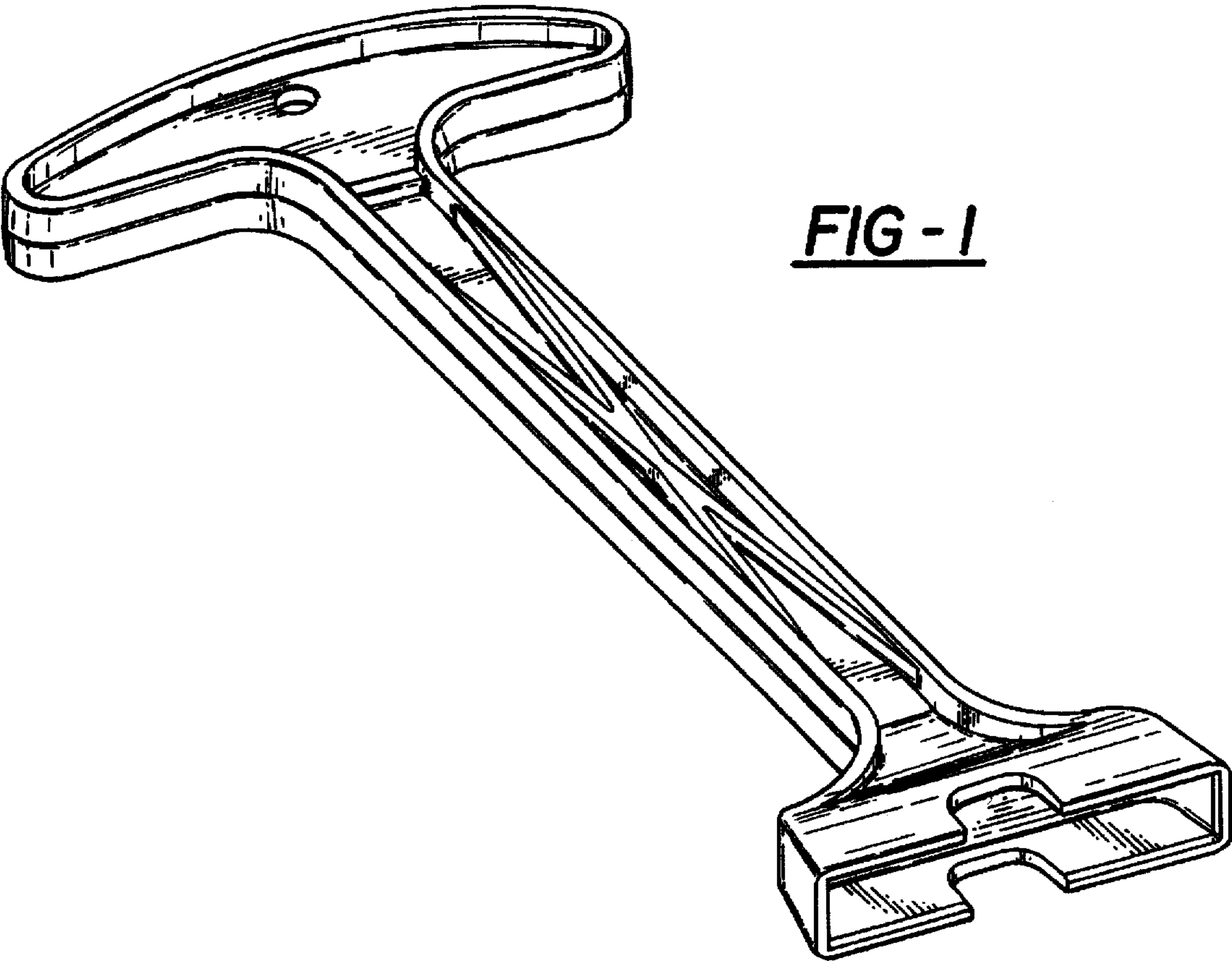


FIG - 1

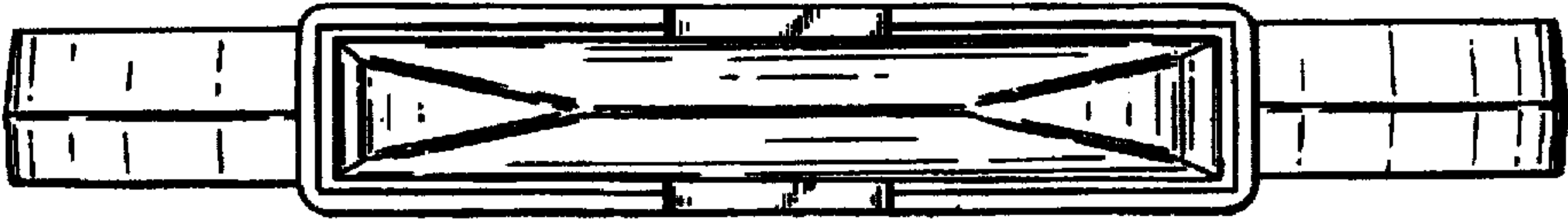


FIG - 2

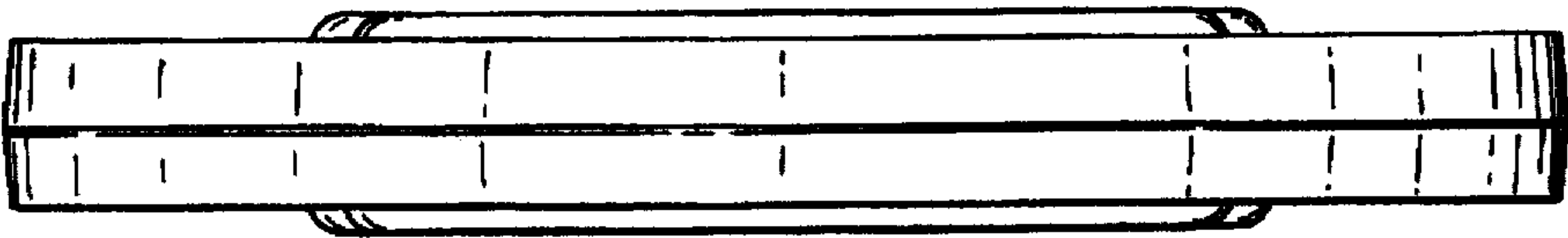


FIG - 3

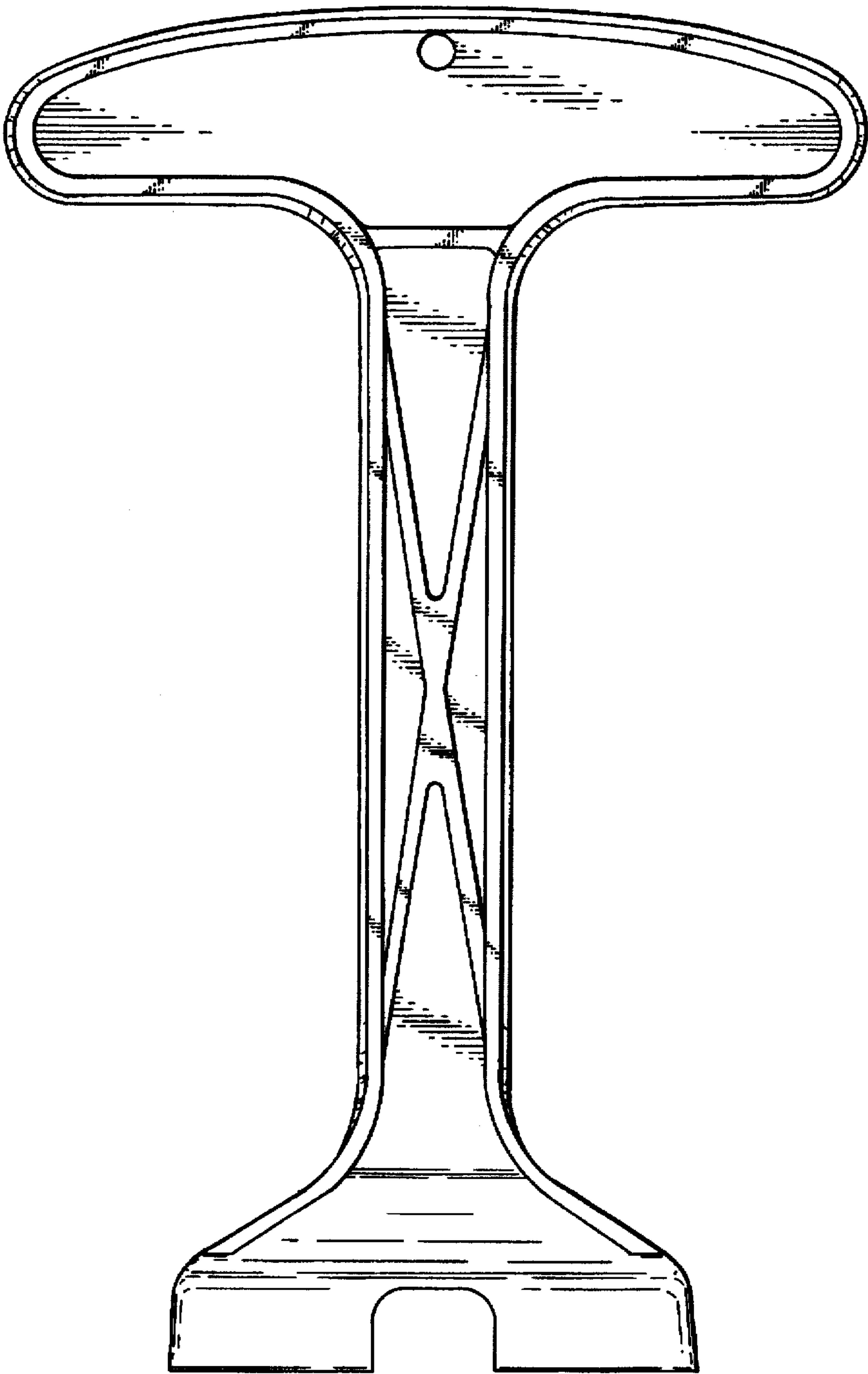


FIG-4

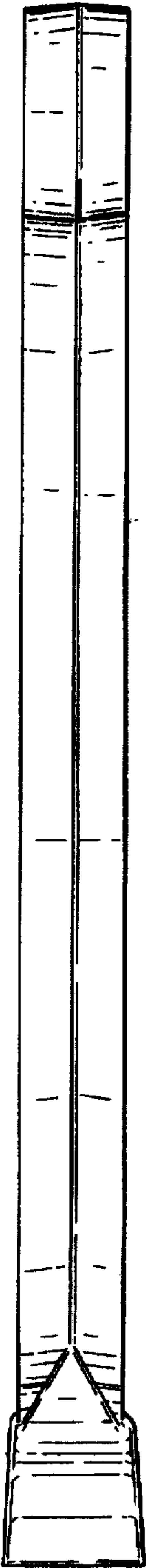


FIG-5