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[54] **TUB FOR BATHING**

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[57] **CLAIM**

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

DESCRIPTION

FIG. **1** is a right, top, front perspective view of a tub for bathing embodying our new design;
FIG. **2** is a top plan view thereof;
FIG. **3** is a front elevational view thereof;
FIG. **4** is a rear elevational view thereof;
FIG. **5** is a right side elevational view thereof;
FIG. **6** is a left side elevational view thereof;
FIG. **7** is a cross-sectional view taken along line **7—7** of FIG. **2**;
FIG. **8** is a cross-sectional view taken along line **8—8** of FIG. **2**;
FIG. **9** is a cross-sectional view taken along line **9—9** of FIG. **2**;
FIG. **10** is a top plan view of a second embodiment which is a mirror image of that shown in FIG. **2**, the front elevational view being identical to that shown in FIG. **3**, the rear elevational view being a mirror image of that shown in FIG. **4**, the left side elevational view being a mirror image of that shown in FIG. **5**, and the right side elevational view being a mirror image of that shown in FIG. **6**;
FIG. **11** is a right, top, front perspective view of a third embodiment;
FIG. **12** is a top plan view thereof;
FIG. **13** is a front elevational view thereof, the rear elevational view being a mirror image of the front side shown;
FIG. **14** is a right side elevational view thereof;
FIG. **15** is a left side elevational view thereof;
FIG. **16** is a cross-sectional view taken along line **16—16** of FIG. **12**;
FIG. **17** is a cross-sectional view taken along line **17—17** of FIG. **12**; and,
FIG. **18** is a cross-sectional view taken along line **18—18** of FIG. **12**.
The broken line representation of a hole in FIGS. **1, 2, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 15,** and **17** is for the purpose of illustration only, and forms no part of the claimed design.

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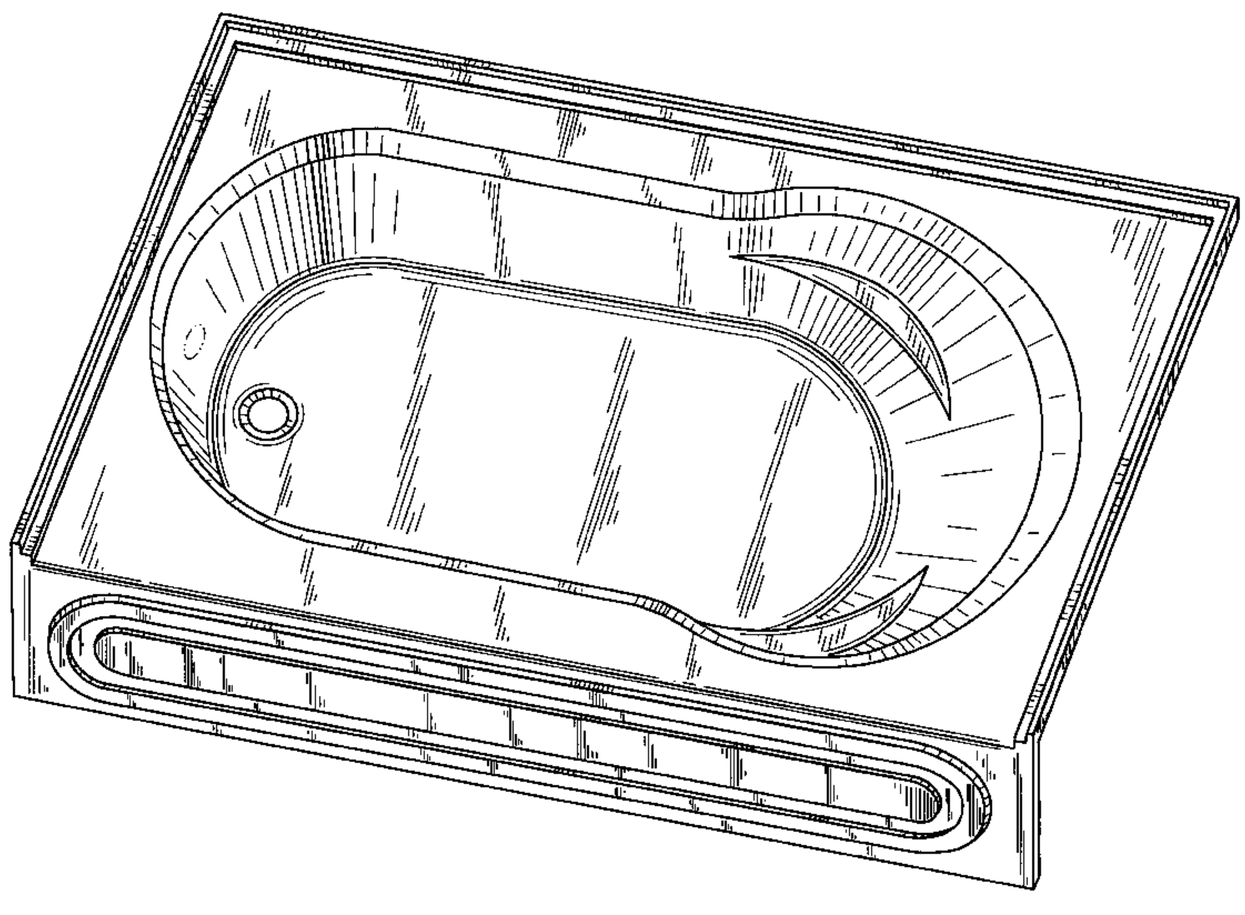

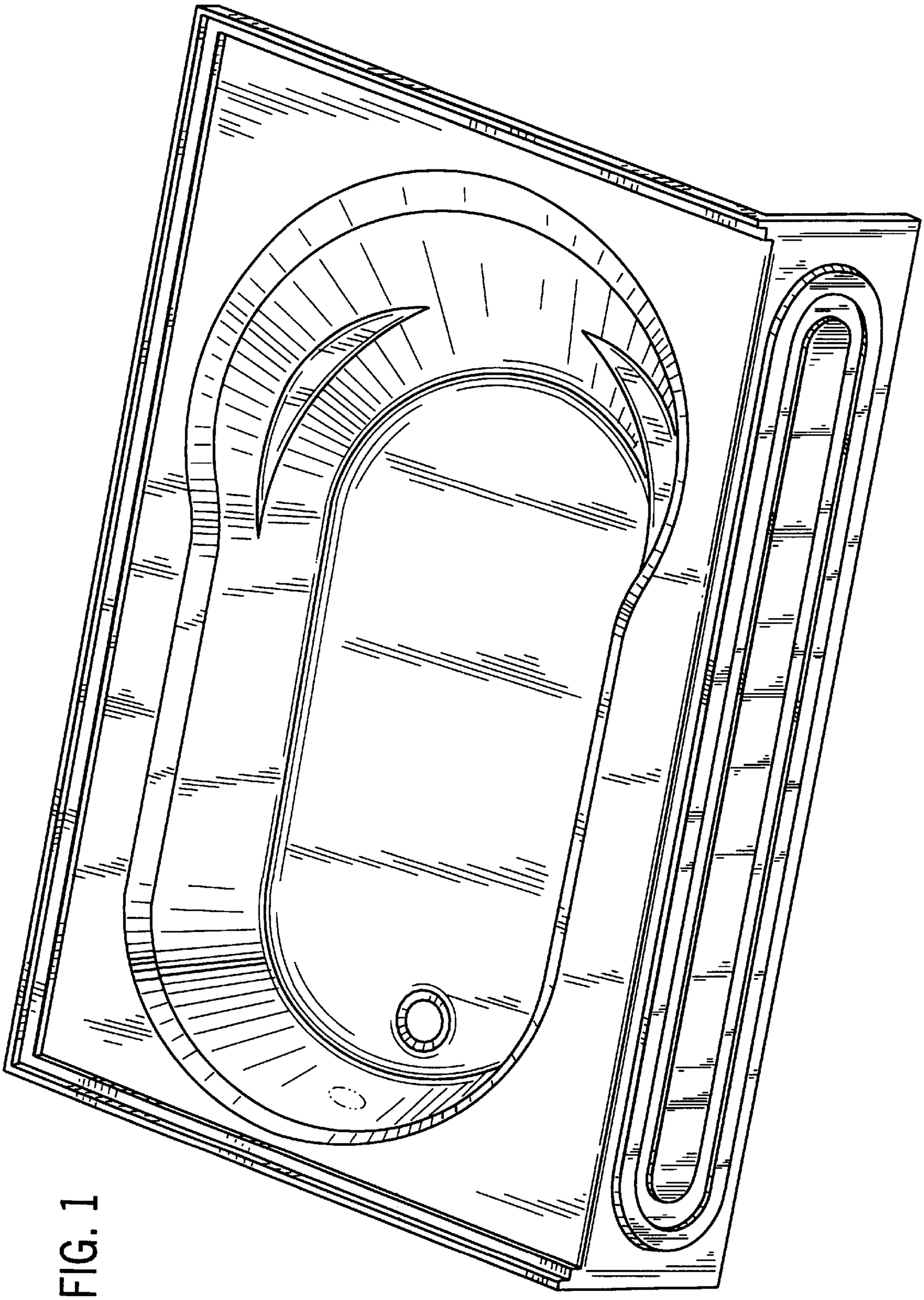

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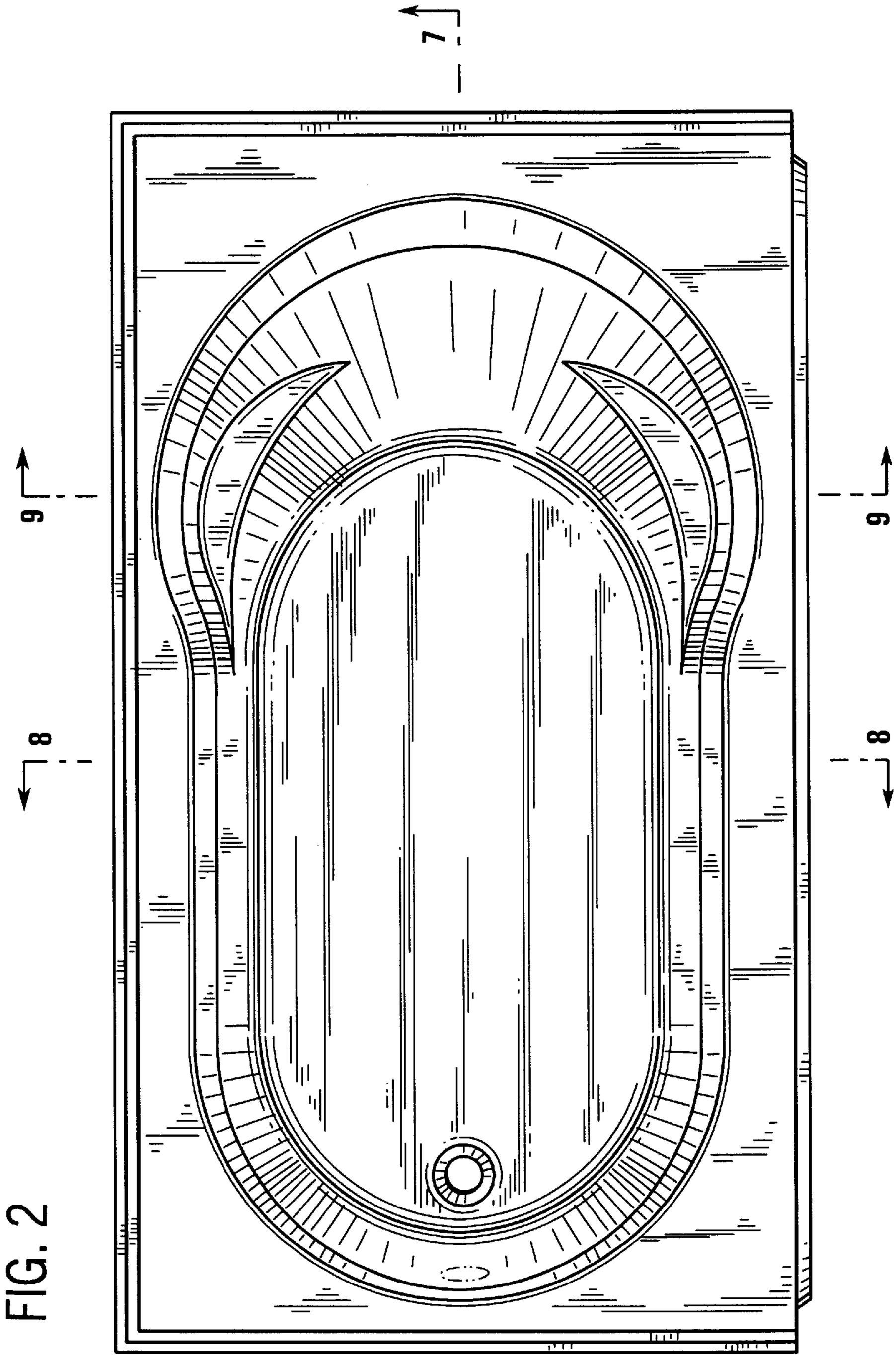

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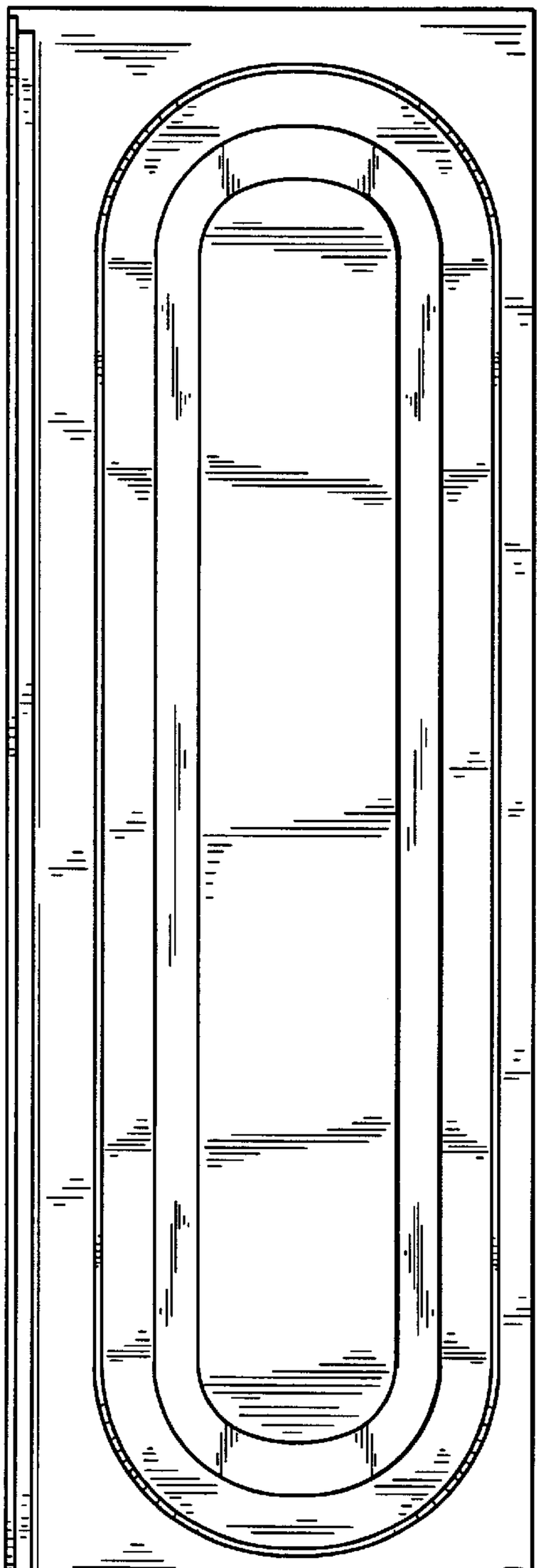

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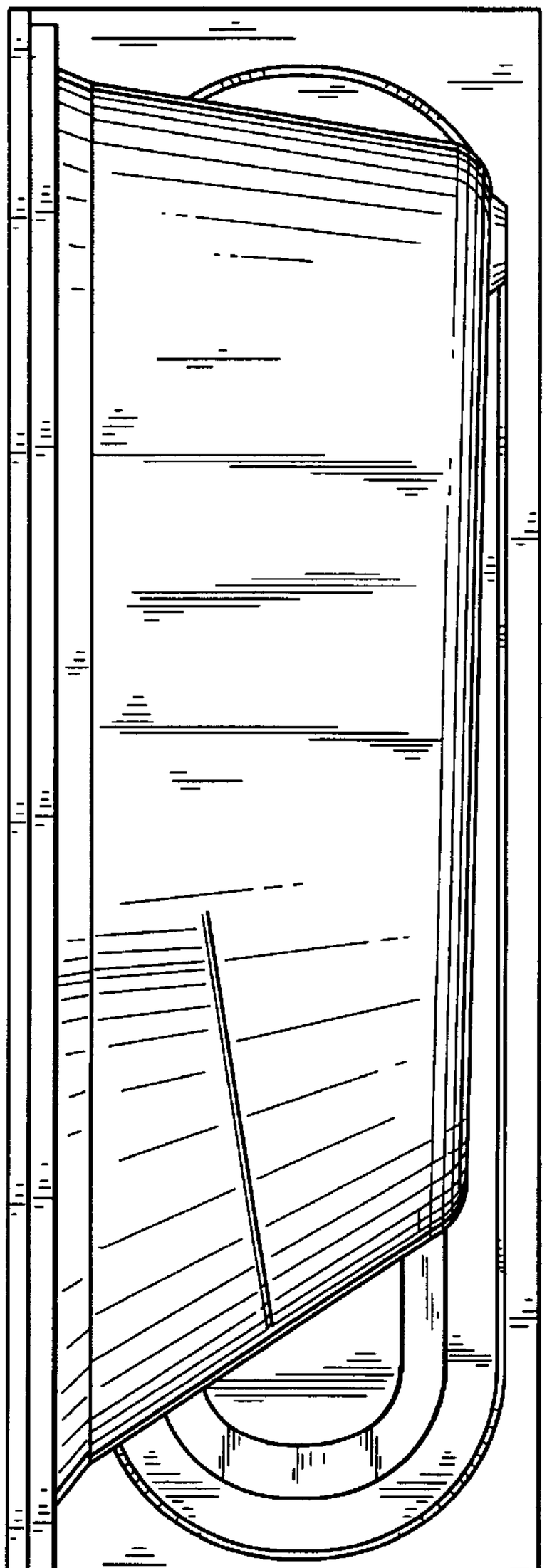

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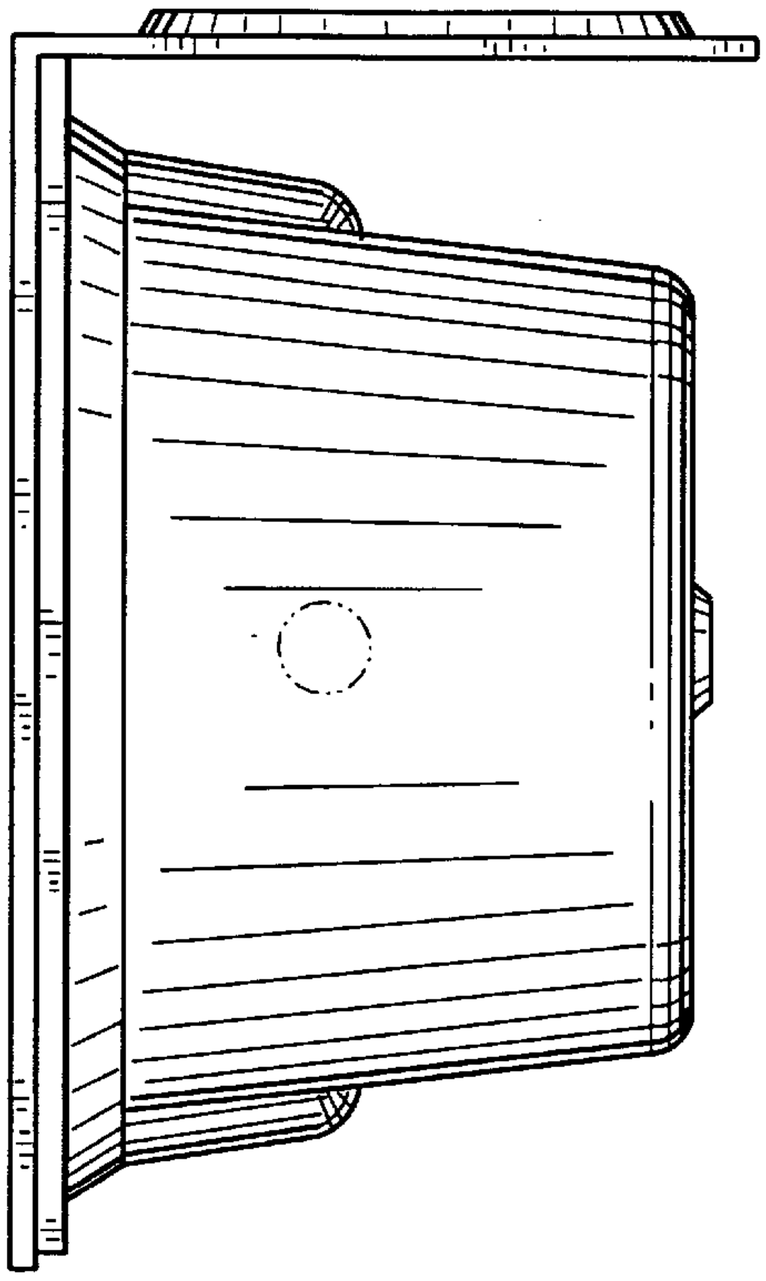

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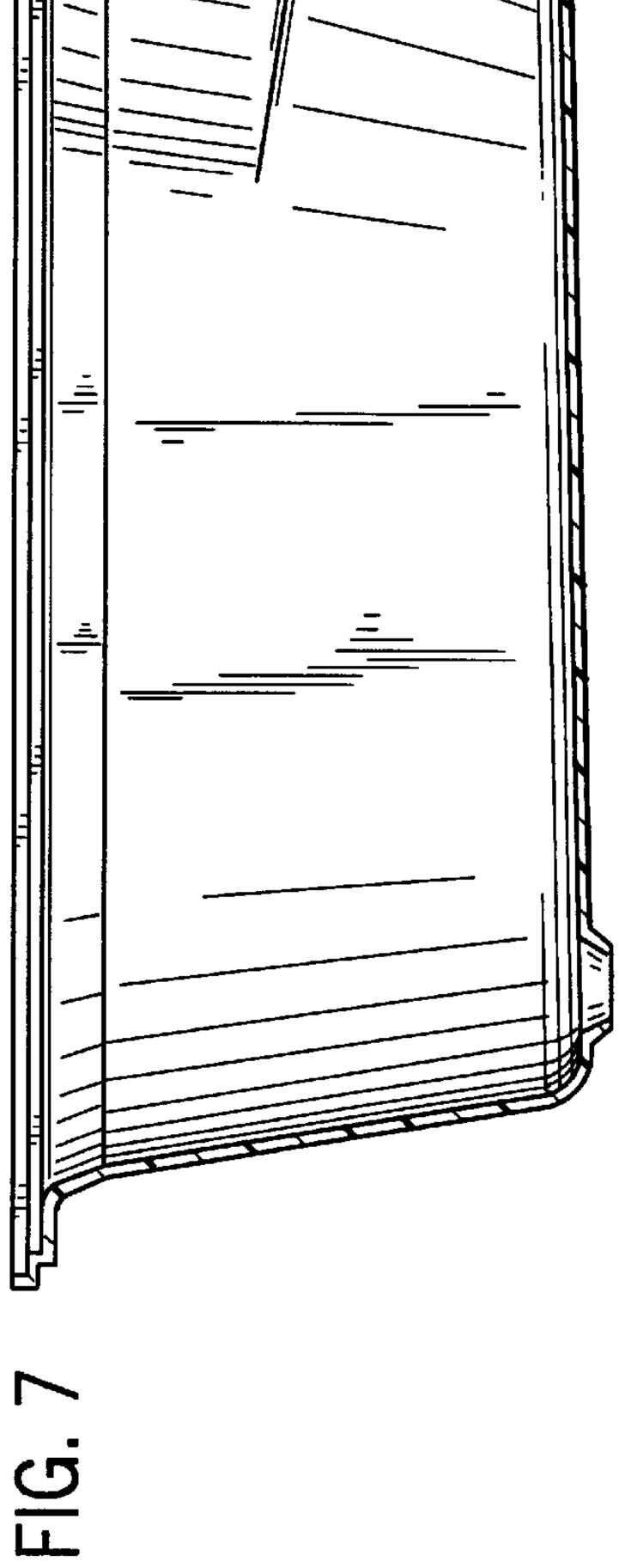

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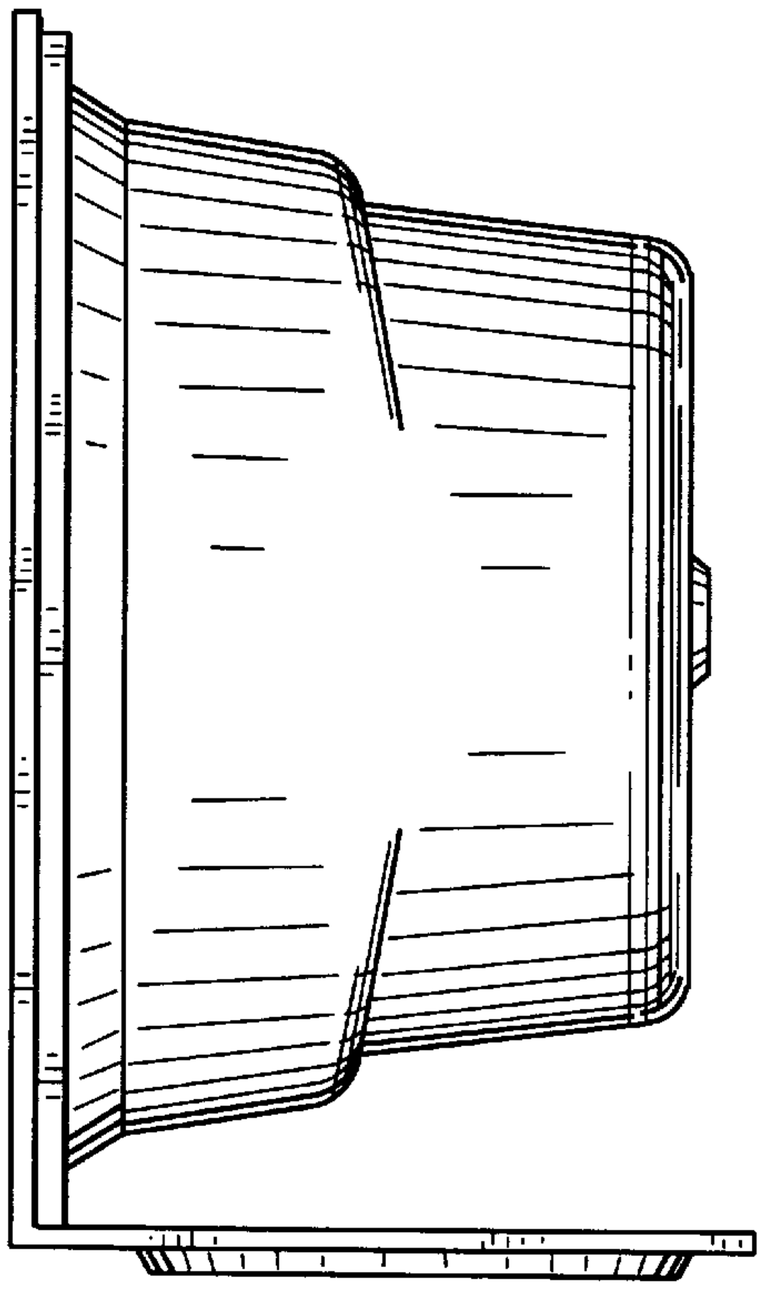

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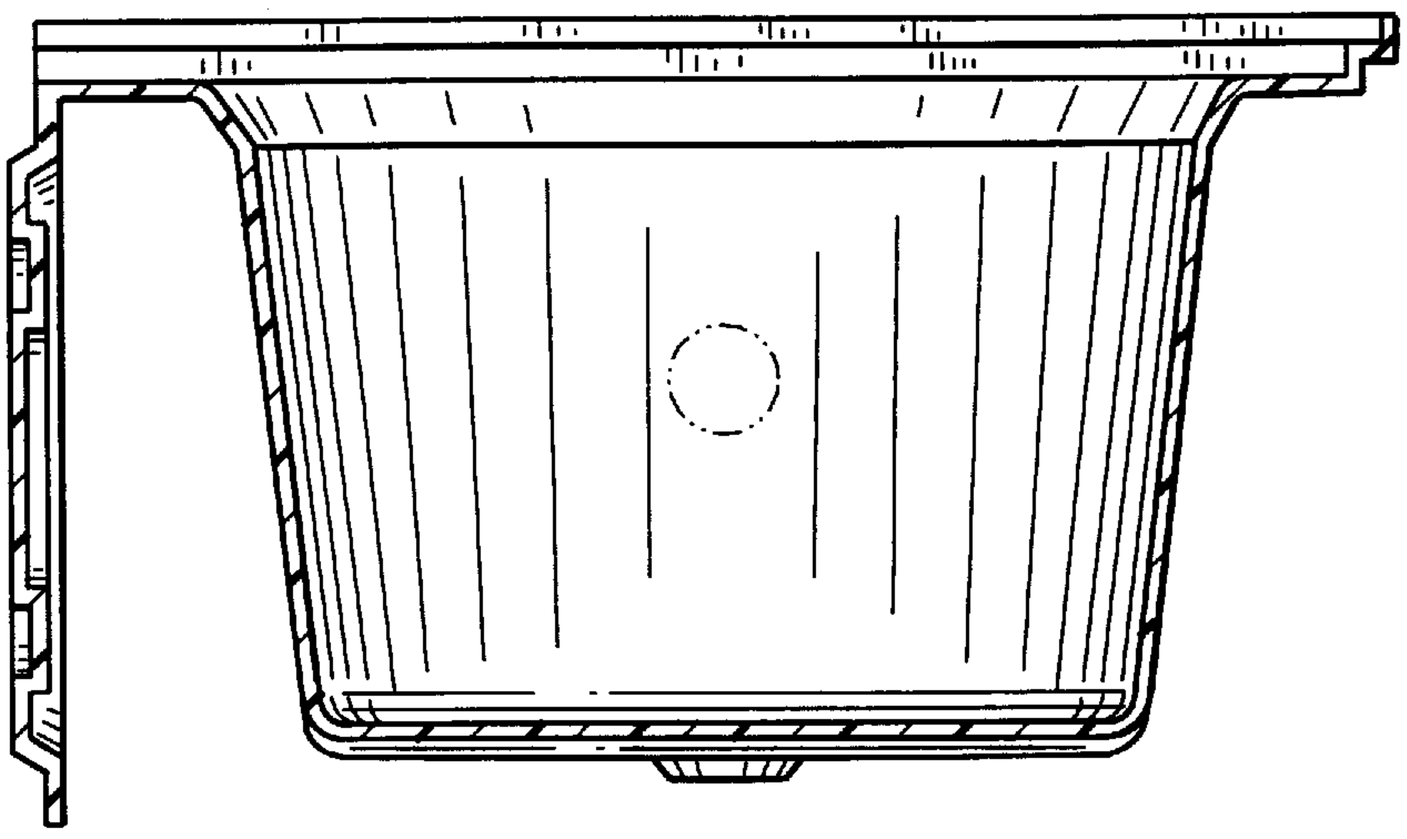

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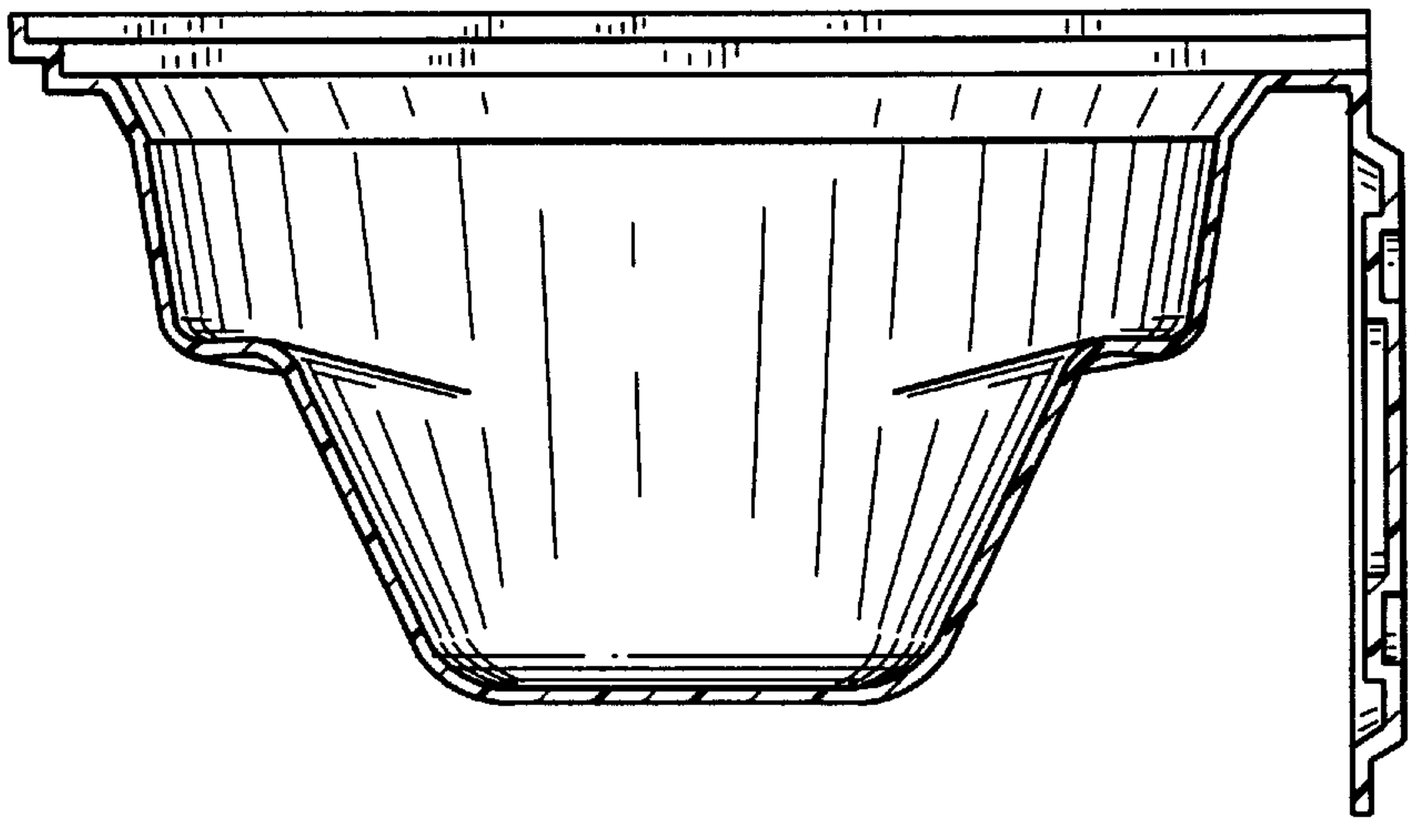

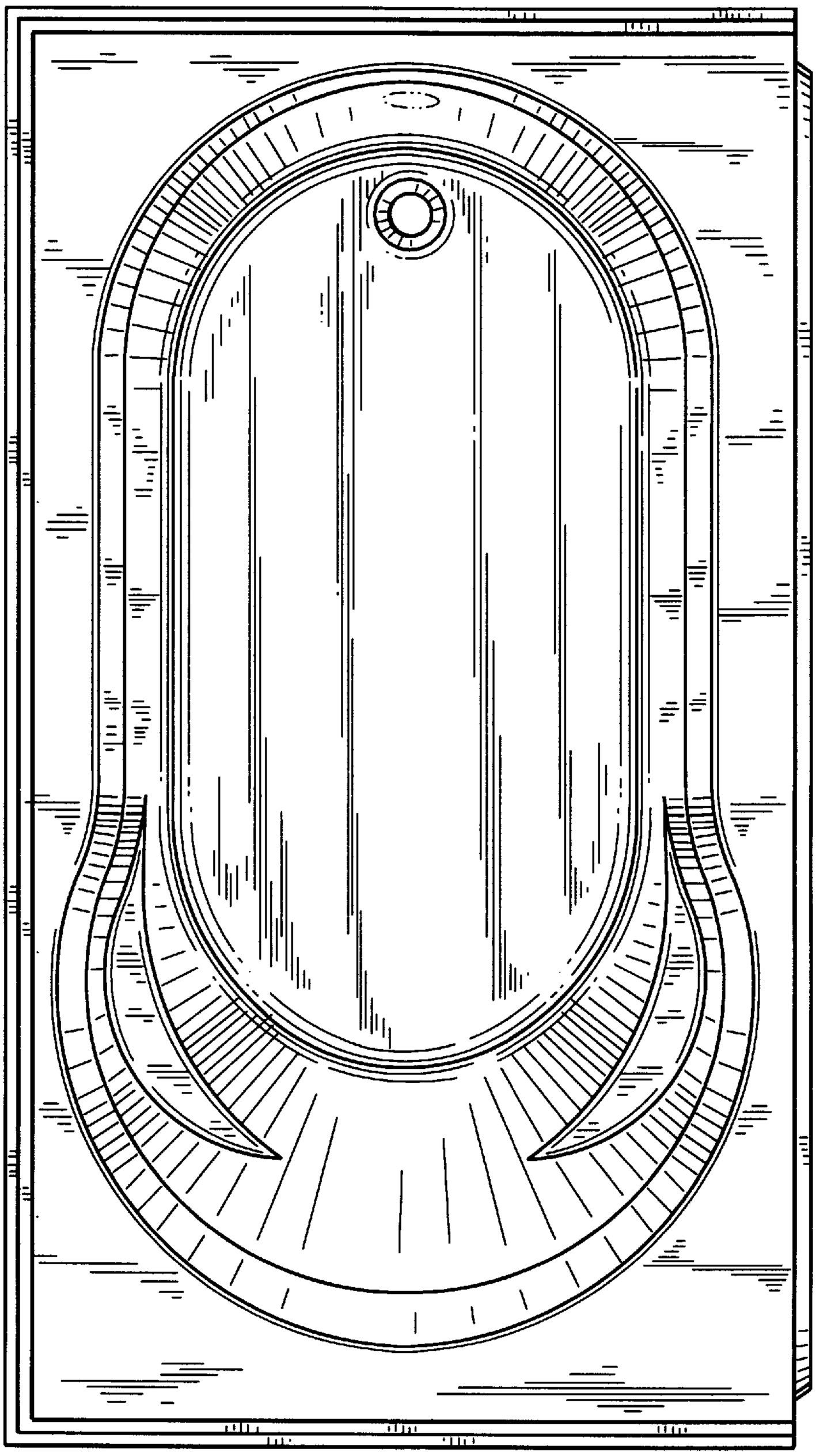

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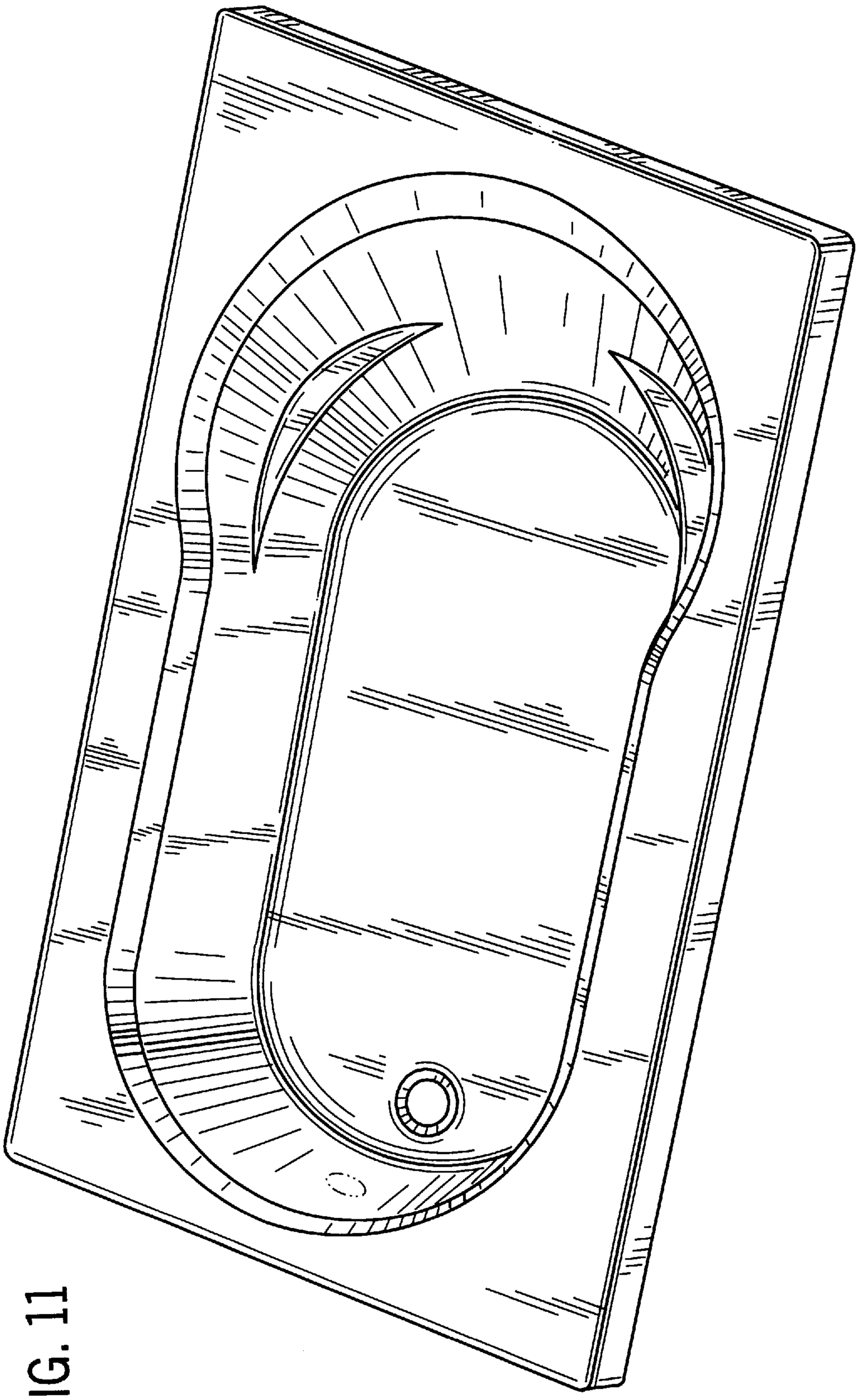

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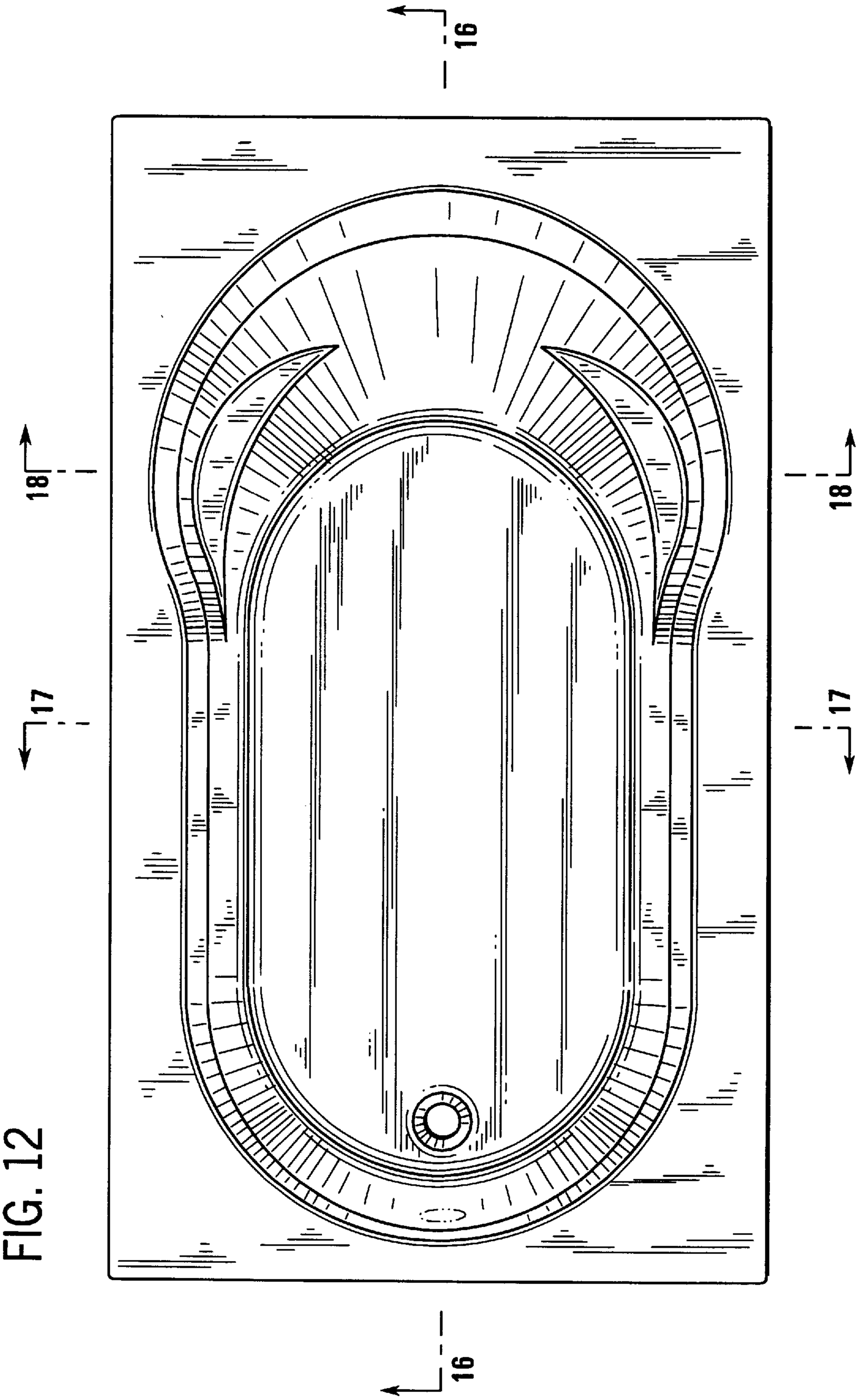

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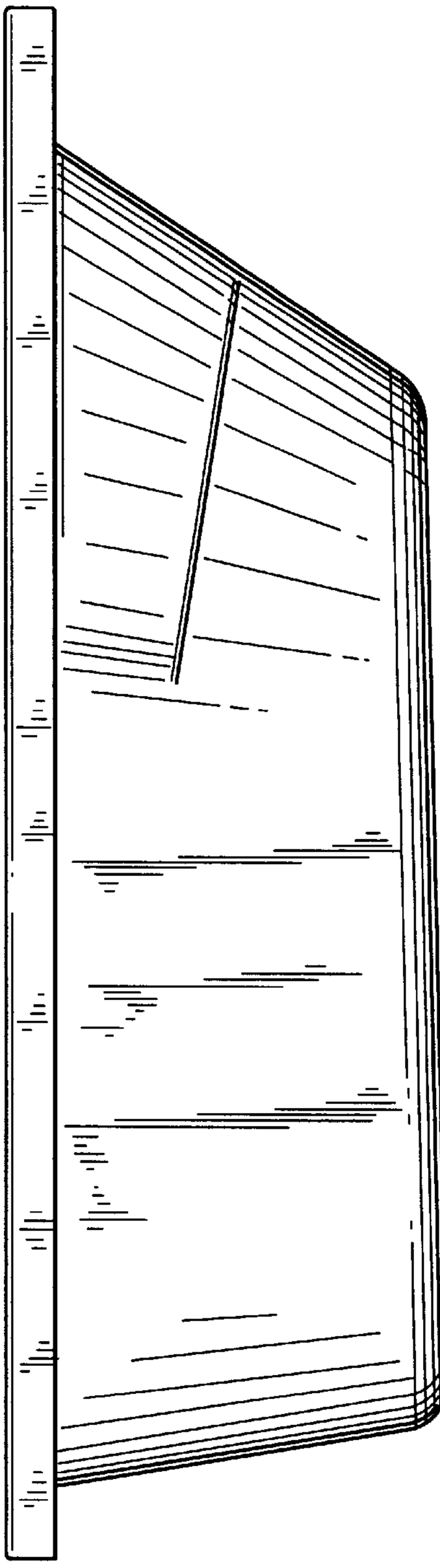

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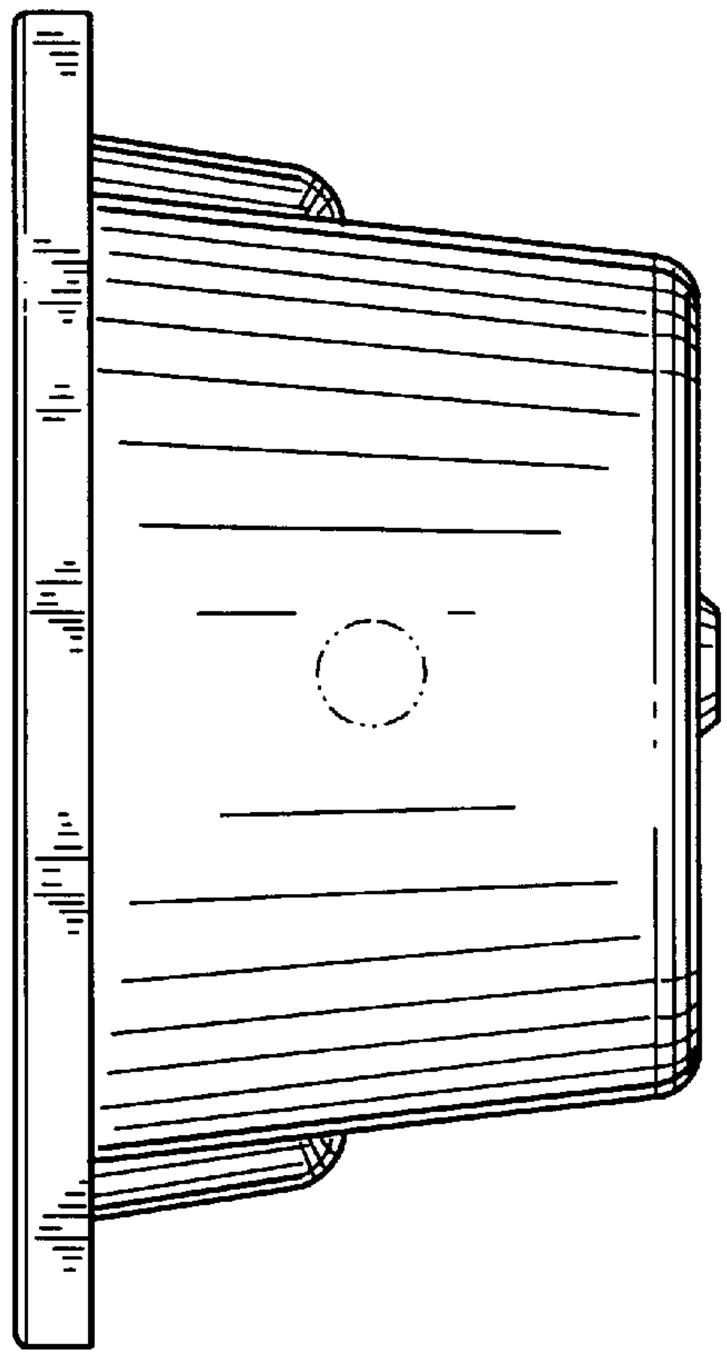

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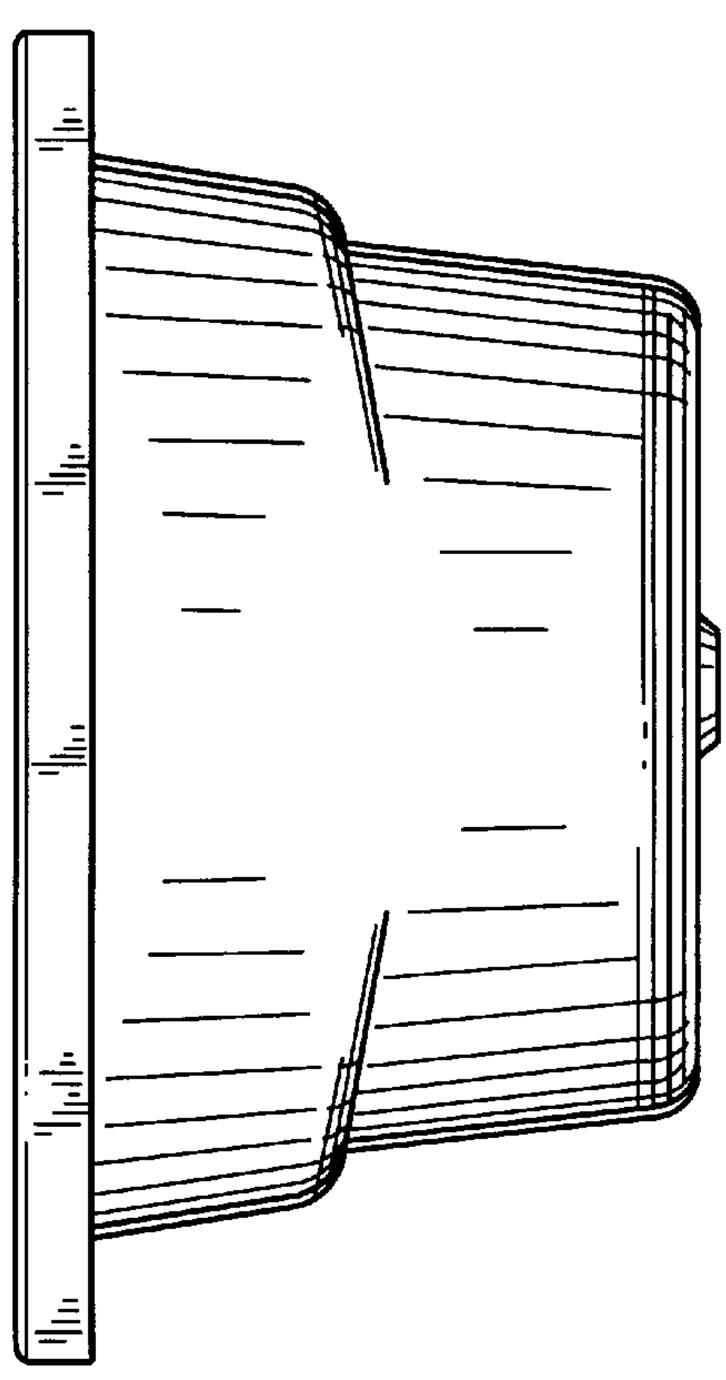

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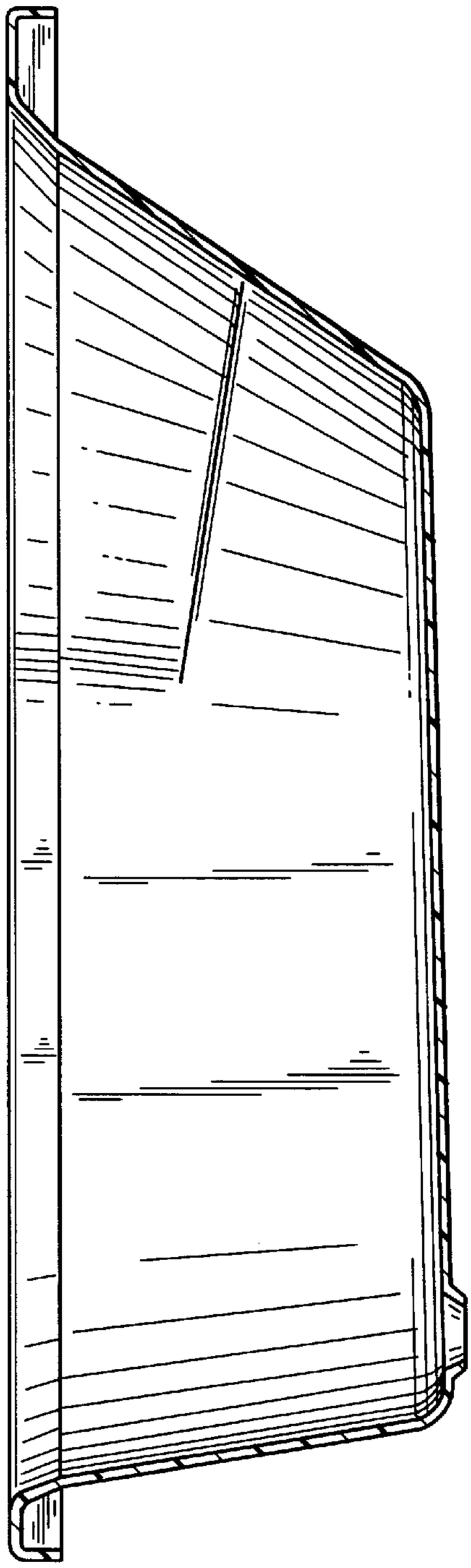

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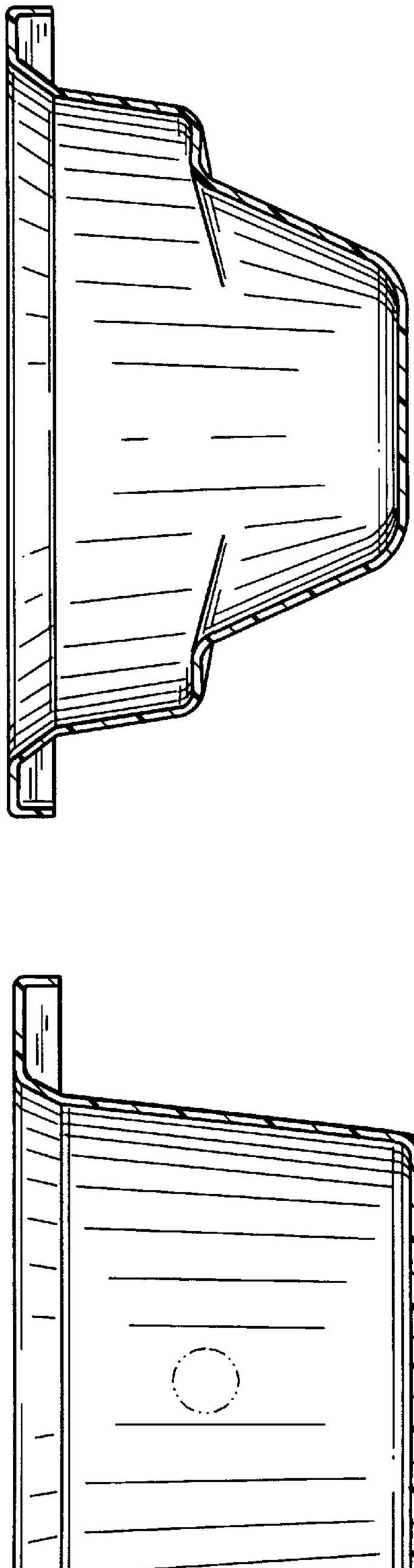

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