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[54] **IN-LINE HANDLE FOR A SURGICAL INSTRUMENT**

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[57] **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for an in-line handle for a surgical instrument, as shown and described.

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### DESCRIPTION

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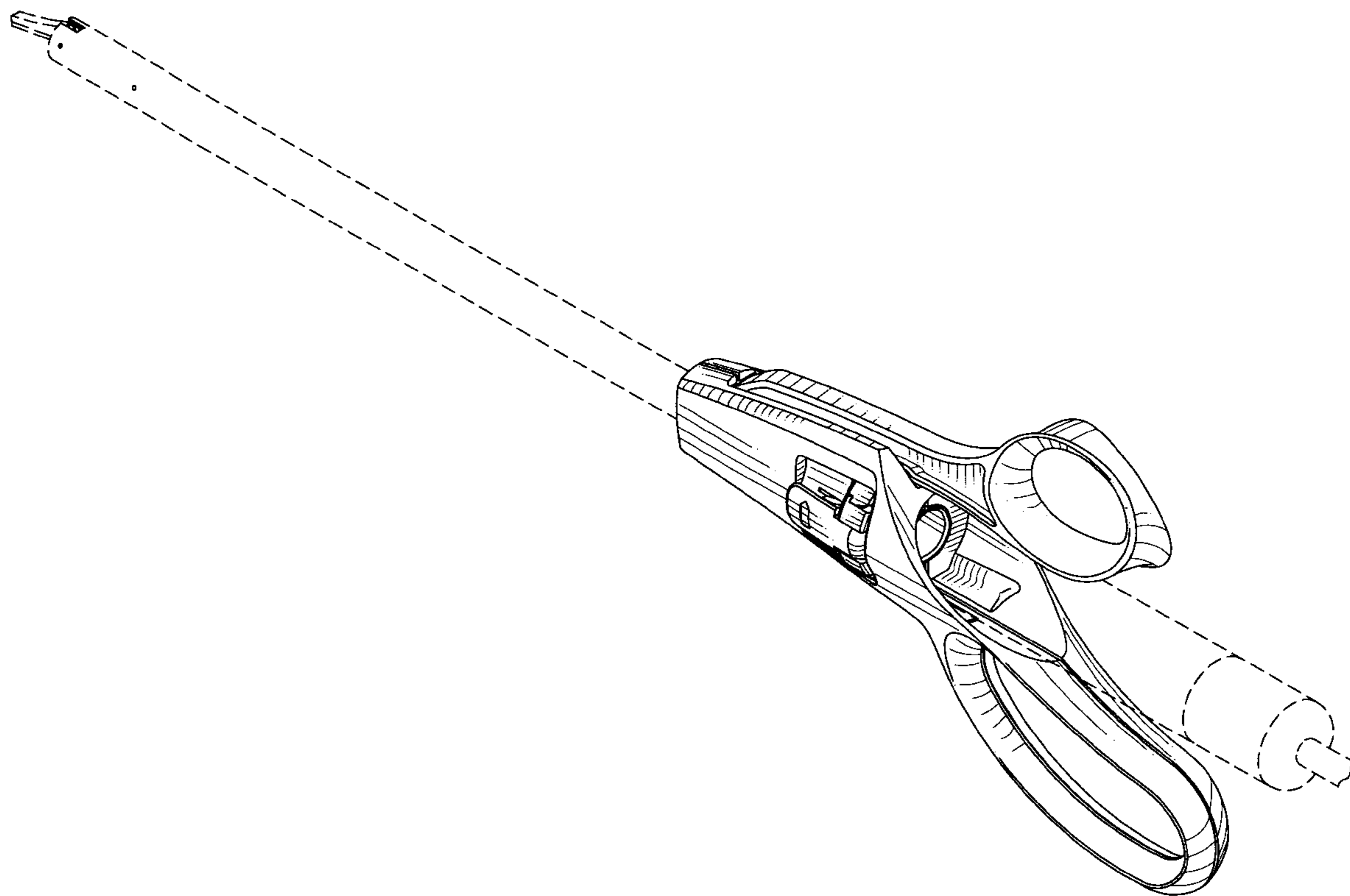
FIG. 1 is an isometric view of an in-line handle for a surgical instrument as seen from the rear top and left side; FIG. 2 is a left side elevation view thereof, of an in-line handle for a surgical instrument; FIG. 3 is a top plan view of an in-line handle for a surgical instrument; FIG. 4 is a front elevation of an in-line handle for a surgical instrument; FIG. 5 is a rear elevation view of an in-line handle for a surgical instrument; FIG. 6 is a bottom view of an in-line handle for a surgical instrument; and, FIG. 7 is a right side elevation view of an in-line handle for a surgical instrument. The broken lines shown in the drawings are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

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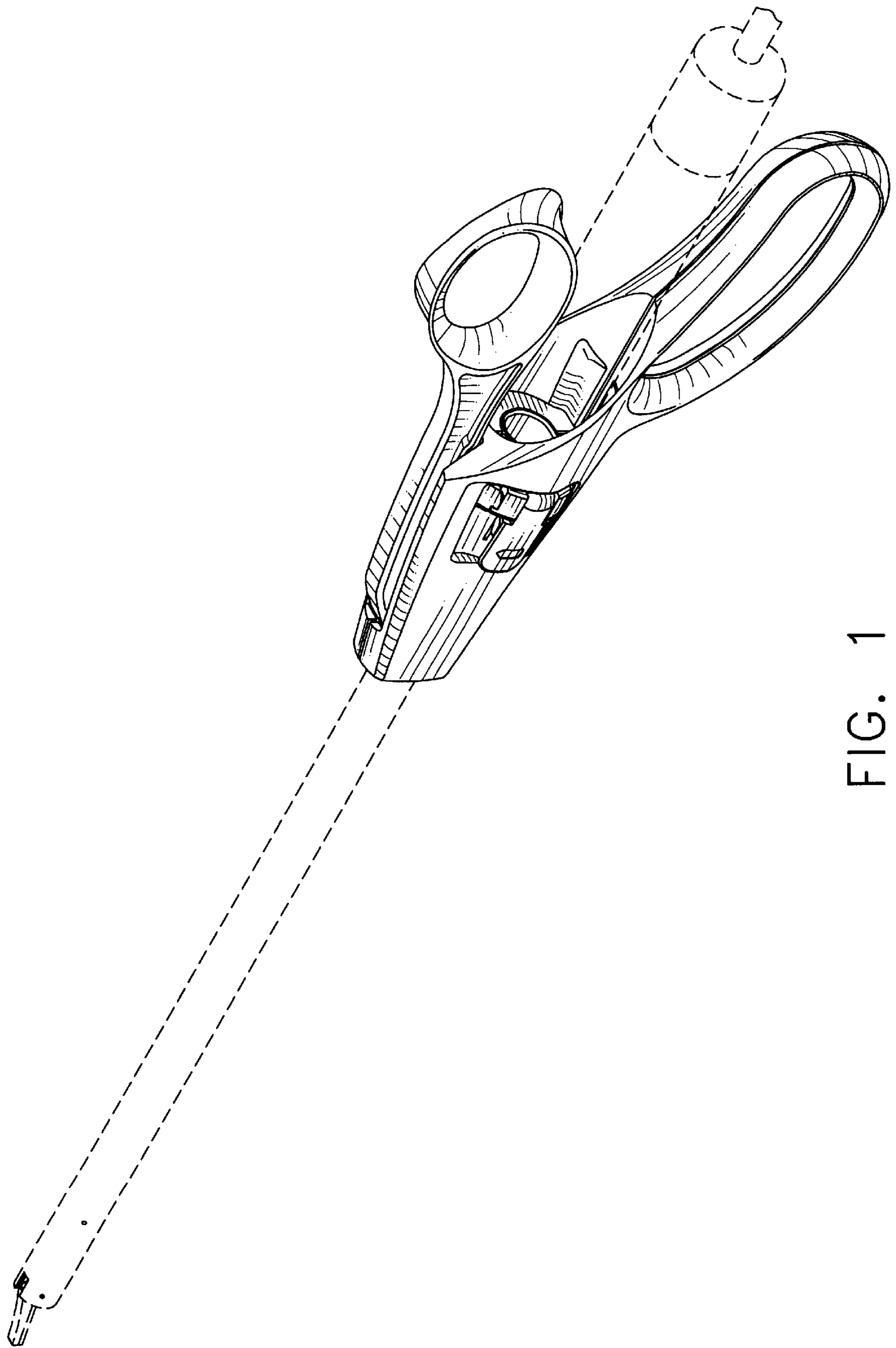


FIG. 1

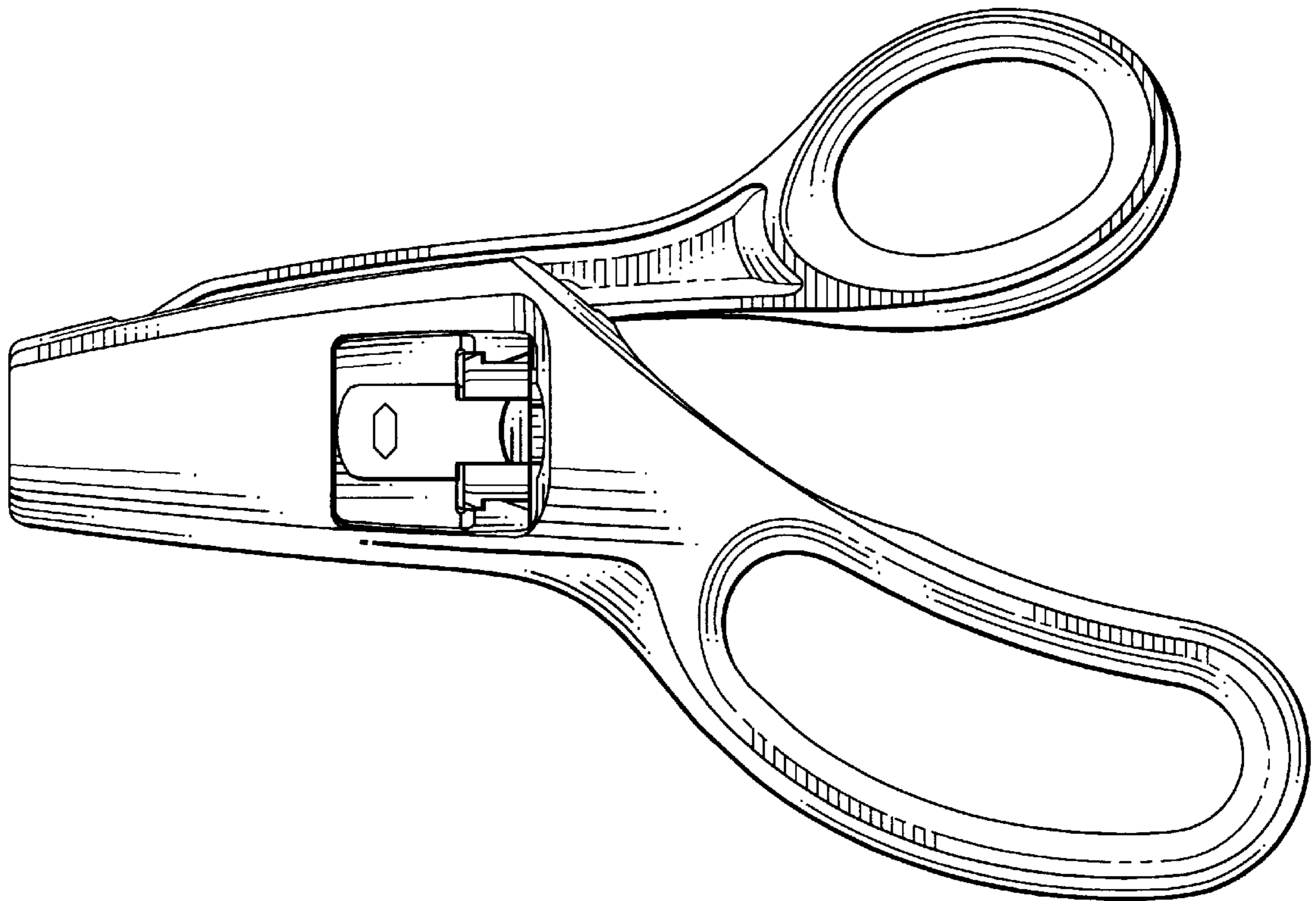


FIG. 2

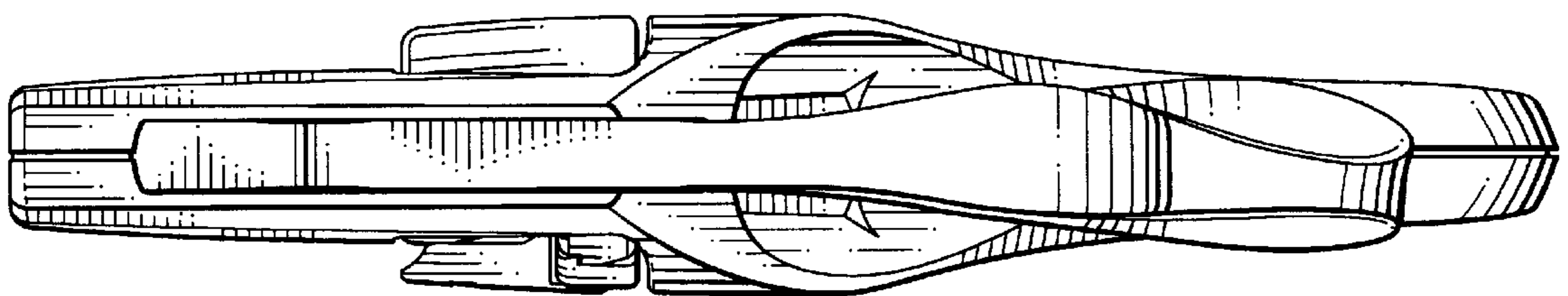


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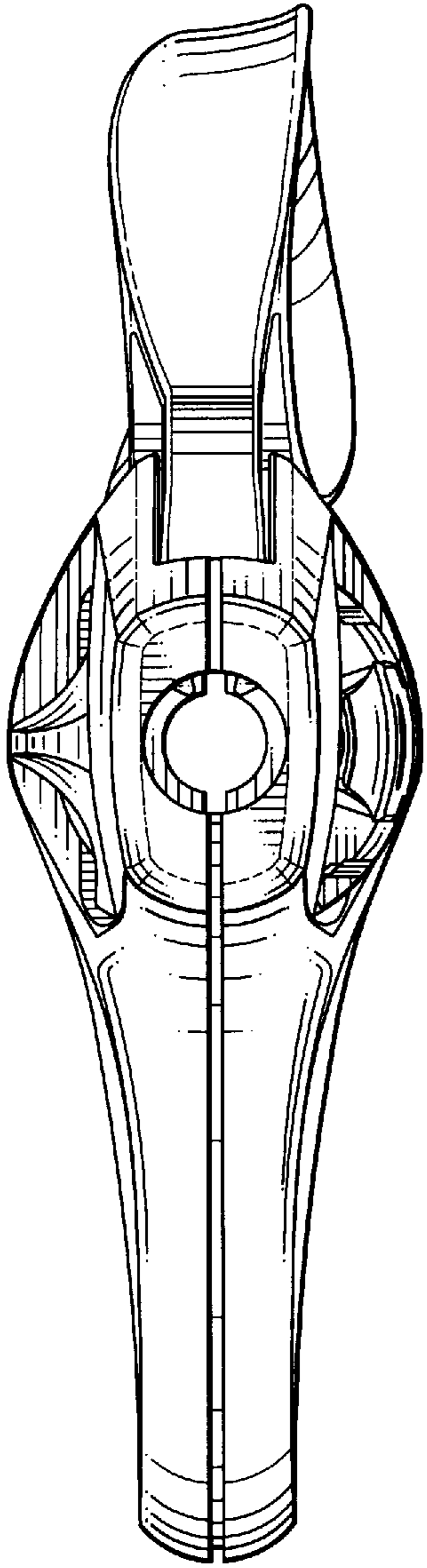


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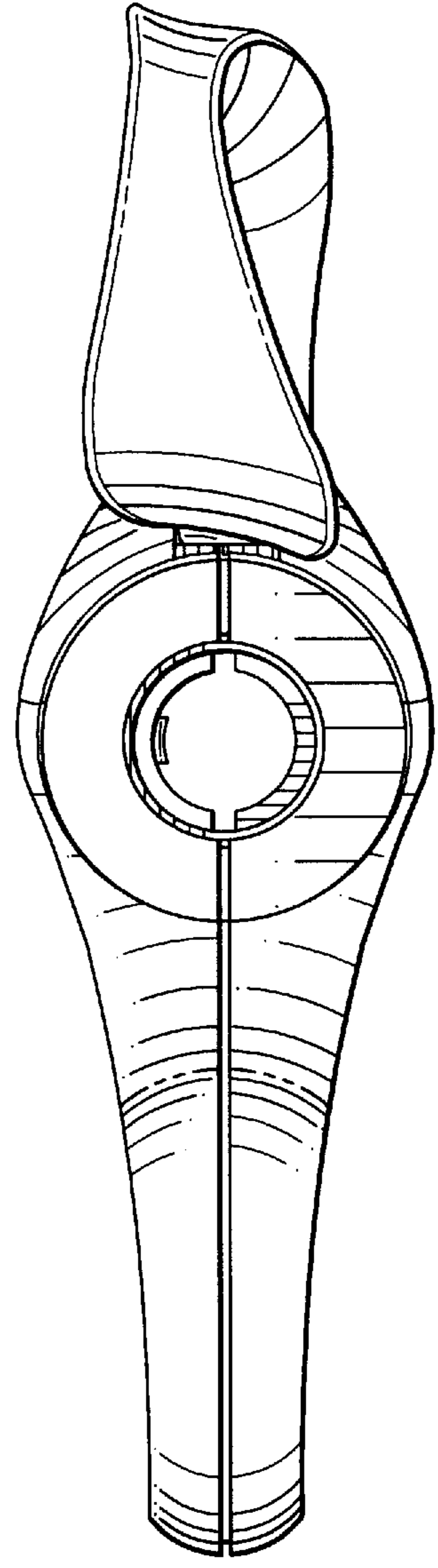


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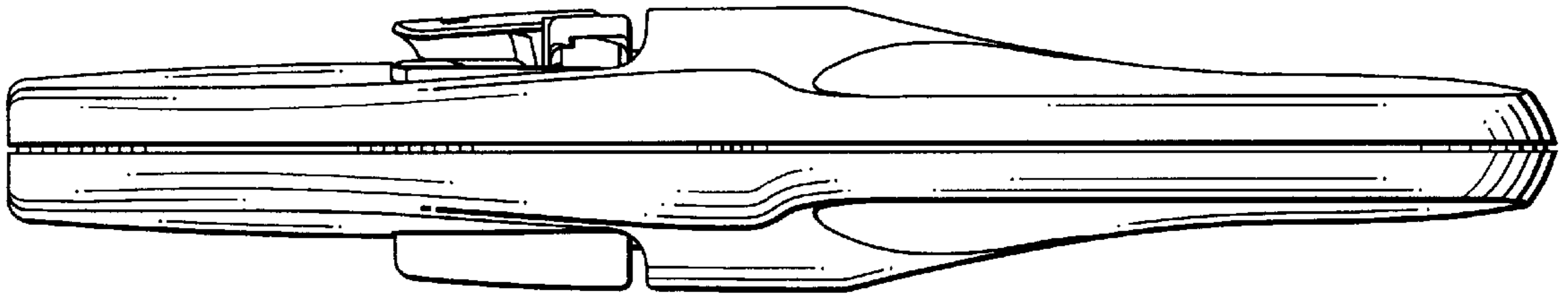


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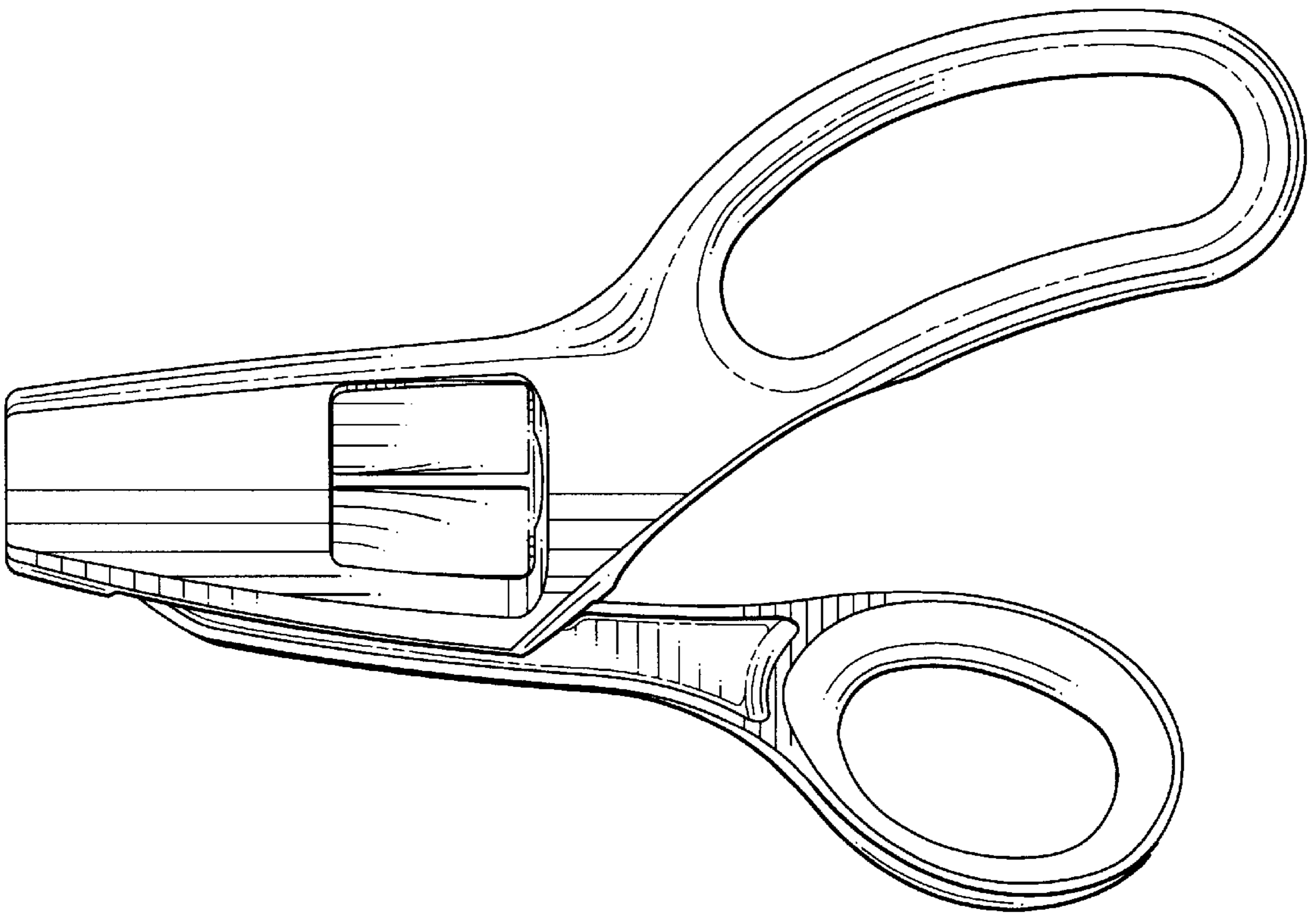


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