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[54] **FOOD CONTAINER**

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[57] CLAIM

The ornamental design for a food container, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a top perspective view of a food container showing our new design;
FIG. 2 is a top view;
FIG. 3 is a front view;
FIG. 4 is a left side view; the right side view being a mirror image thereof; and,
FIG. 5 is a rear view.
The bottom of the food container forms no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets

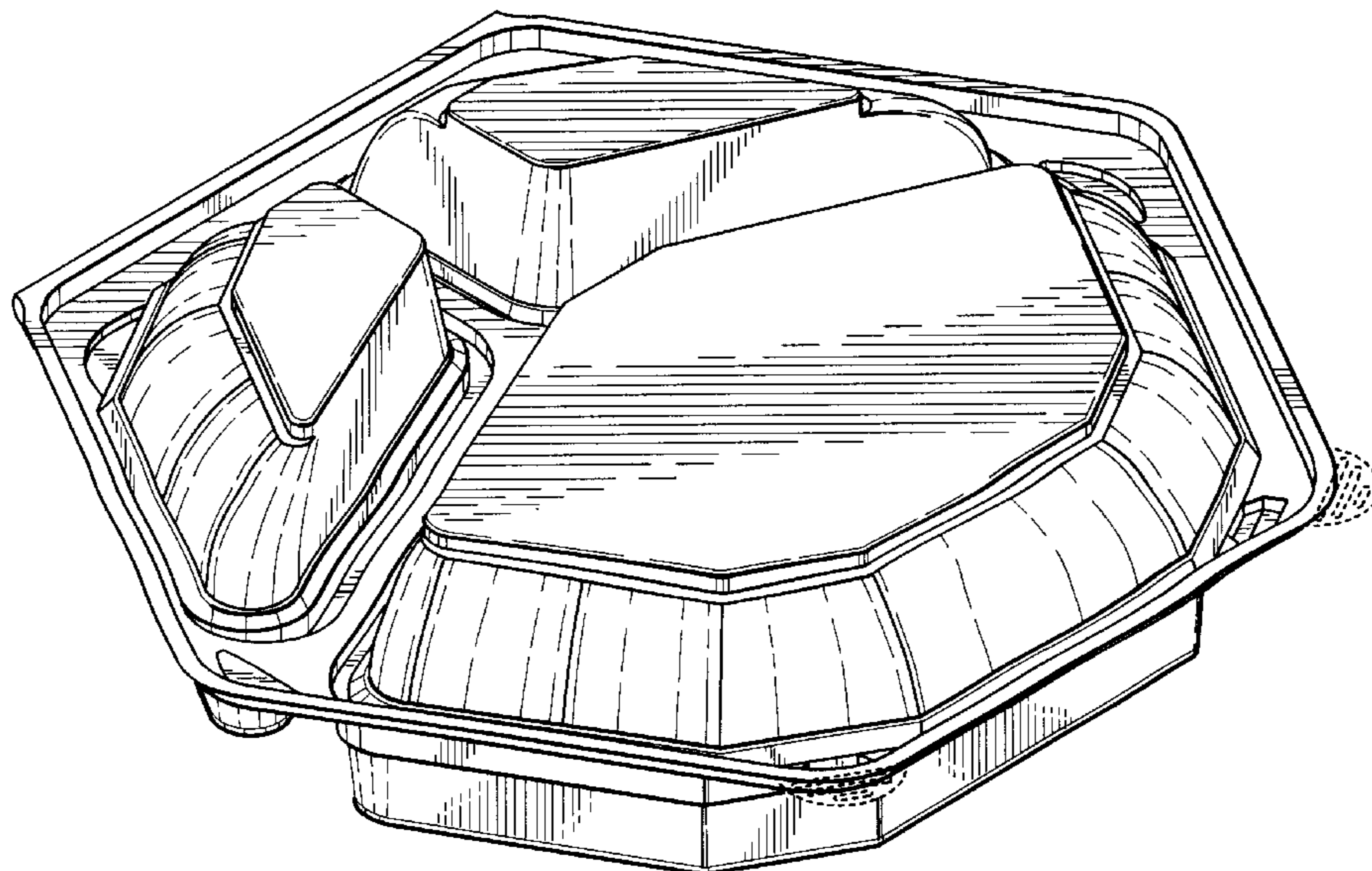


Fig. 1

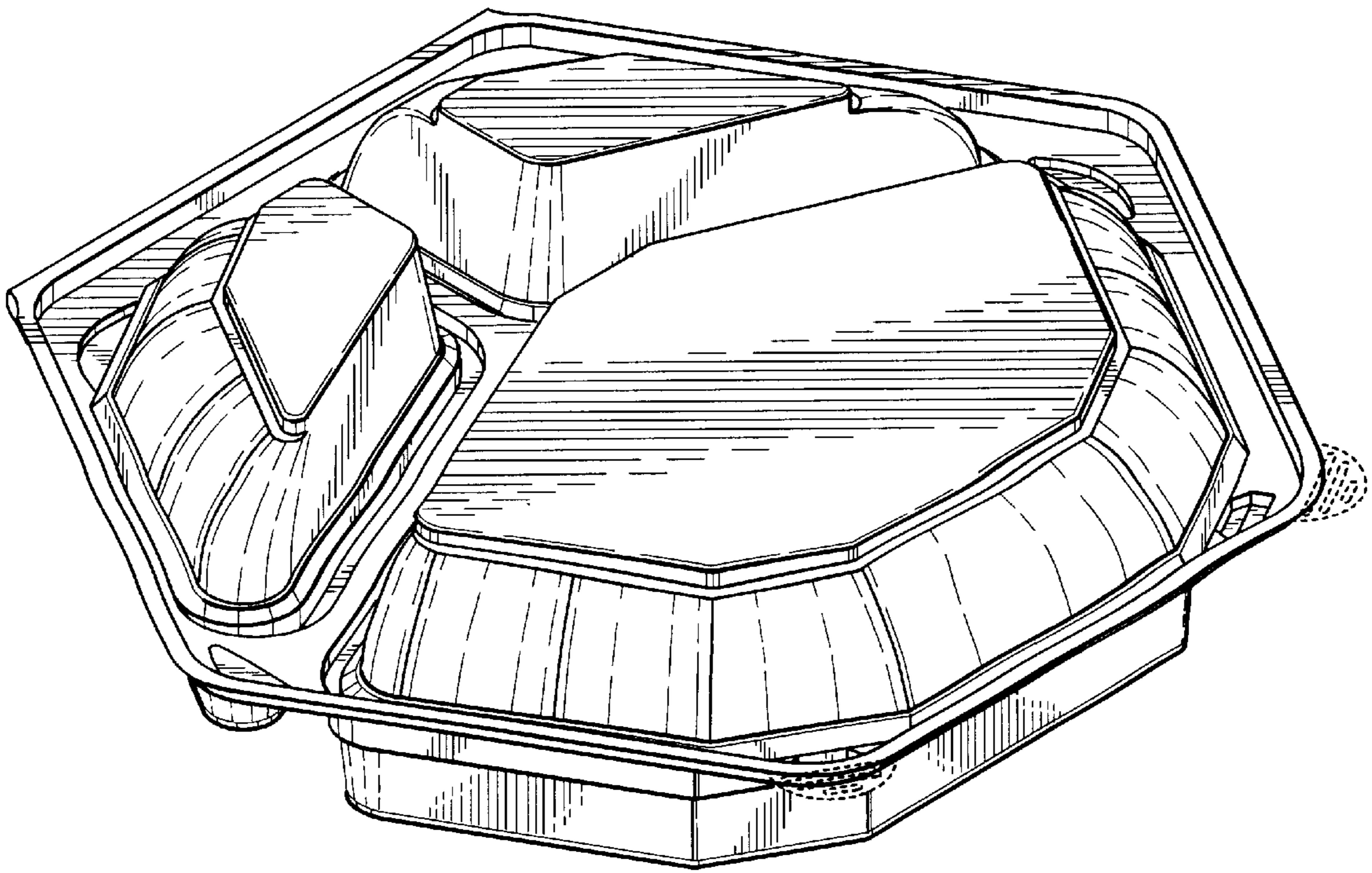


Fig. 2

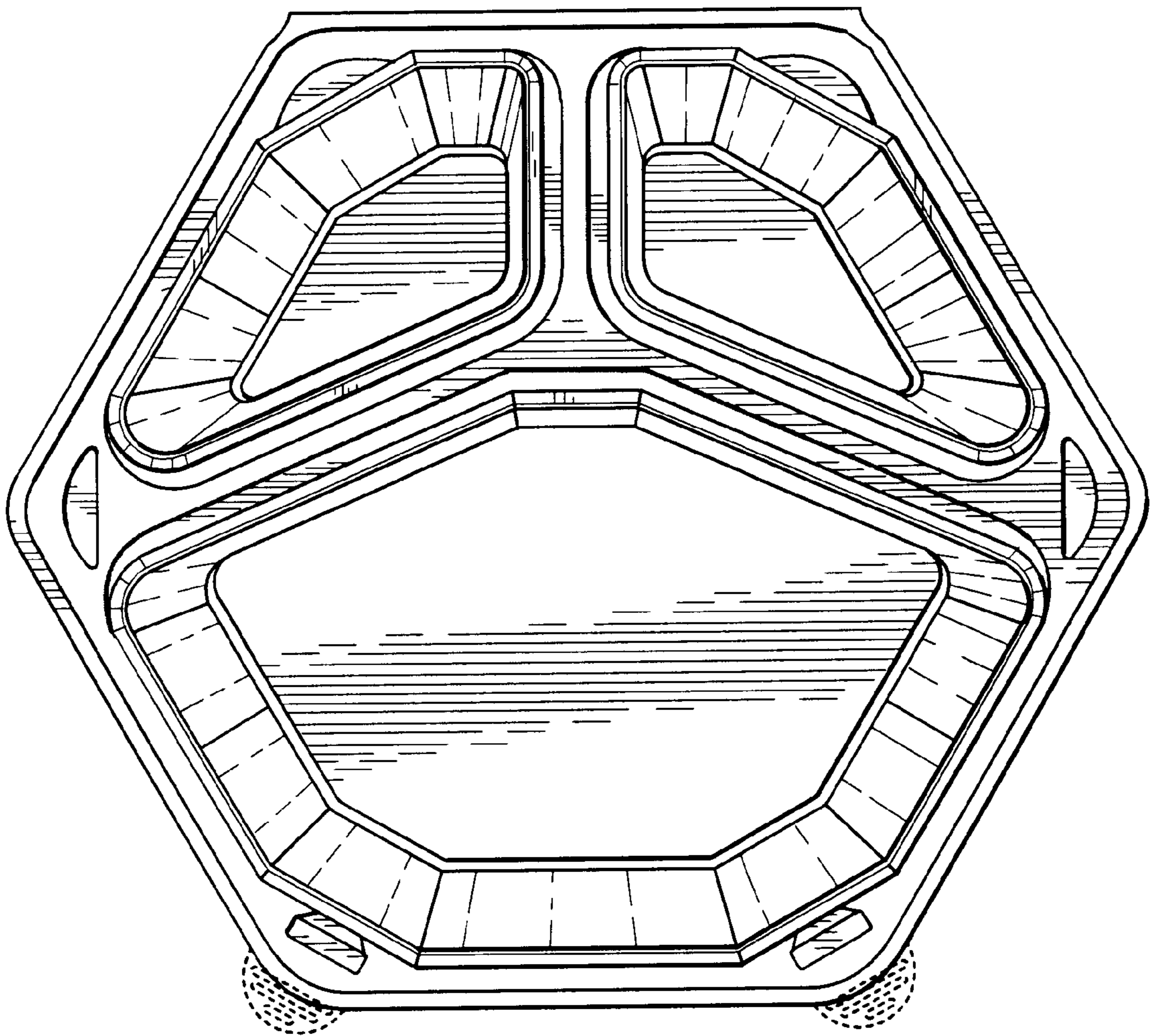


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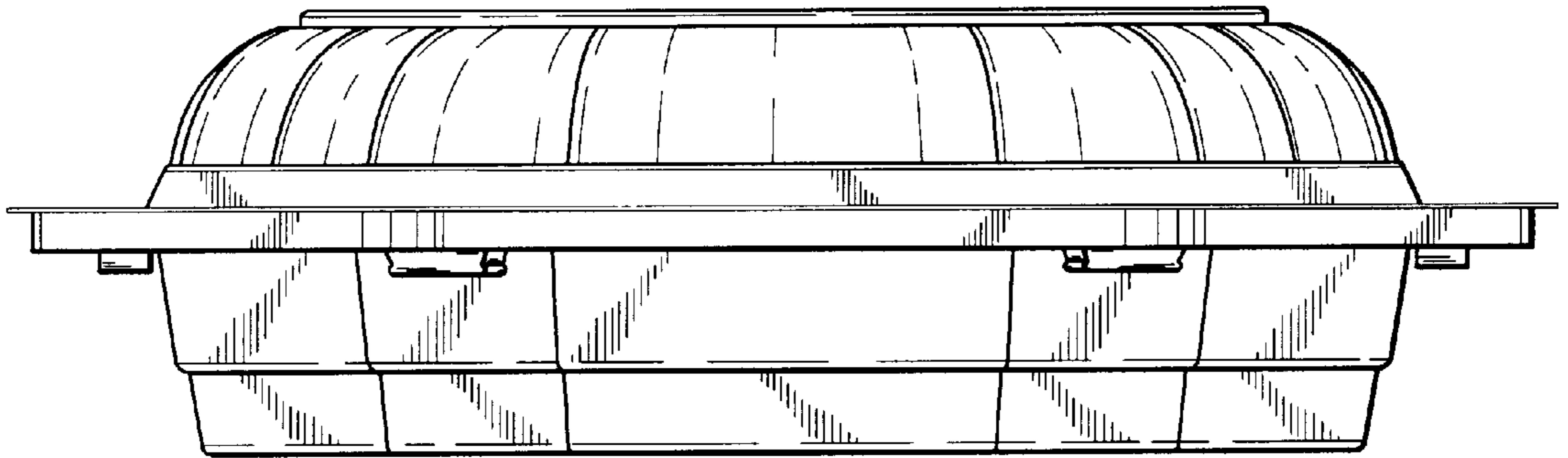


Fig. 4

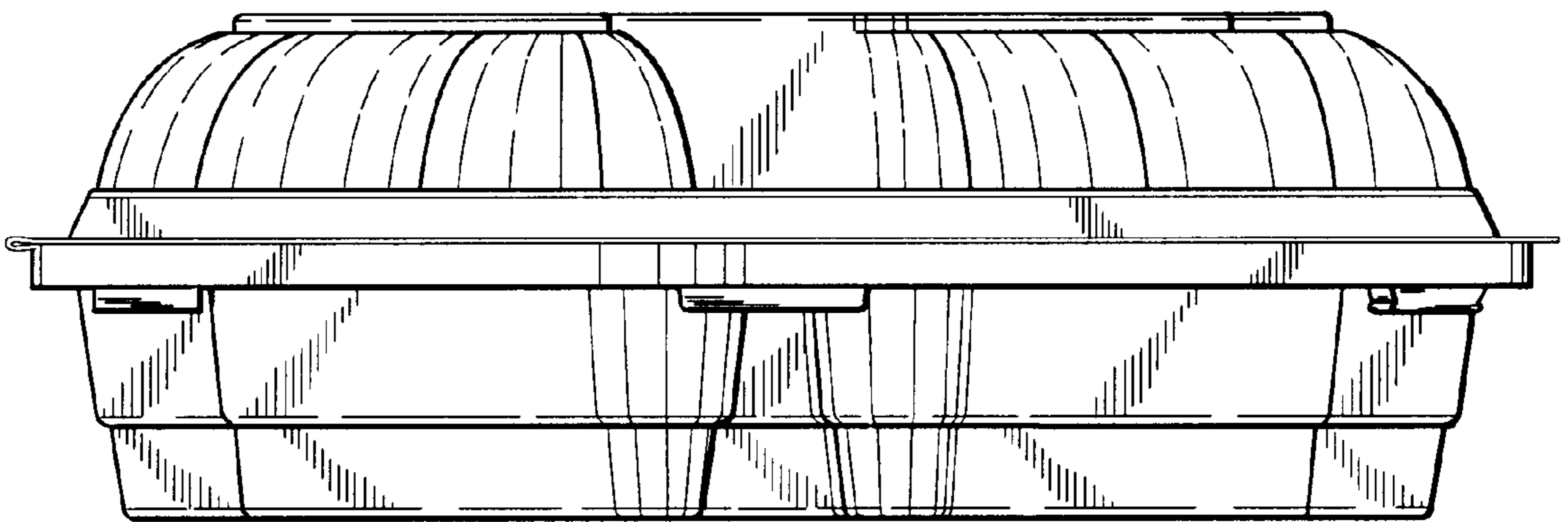


Fig. 5

