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[54] **TREAD OF A TIRE**

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[57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a tread of a tire, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the tread of a tire of the present invention, it being understood that the pattern is repeated uniformly throughout the circumference of the tread,

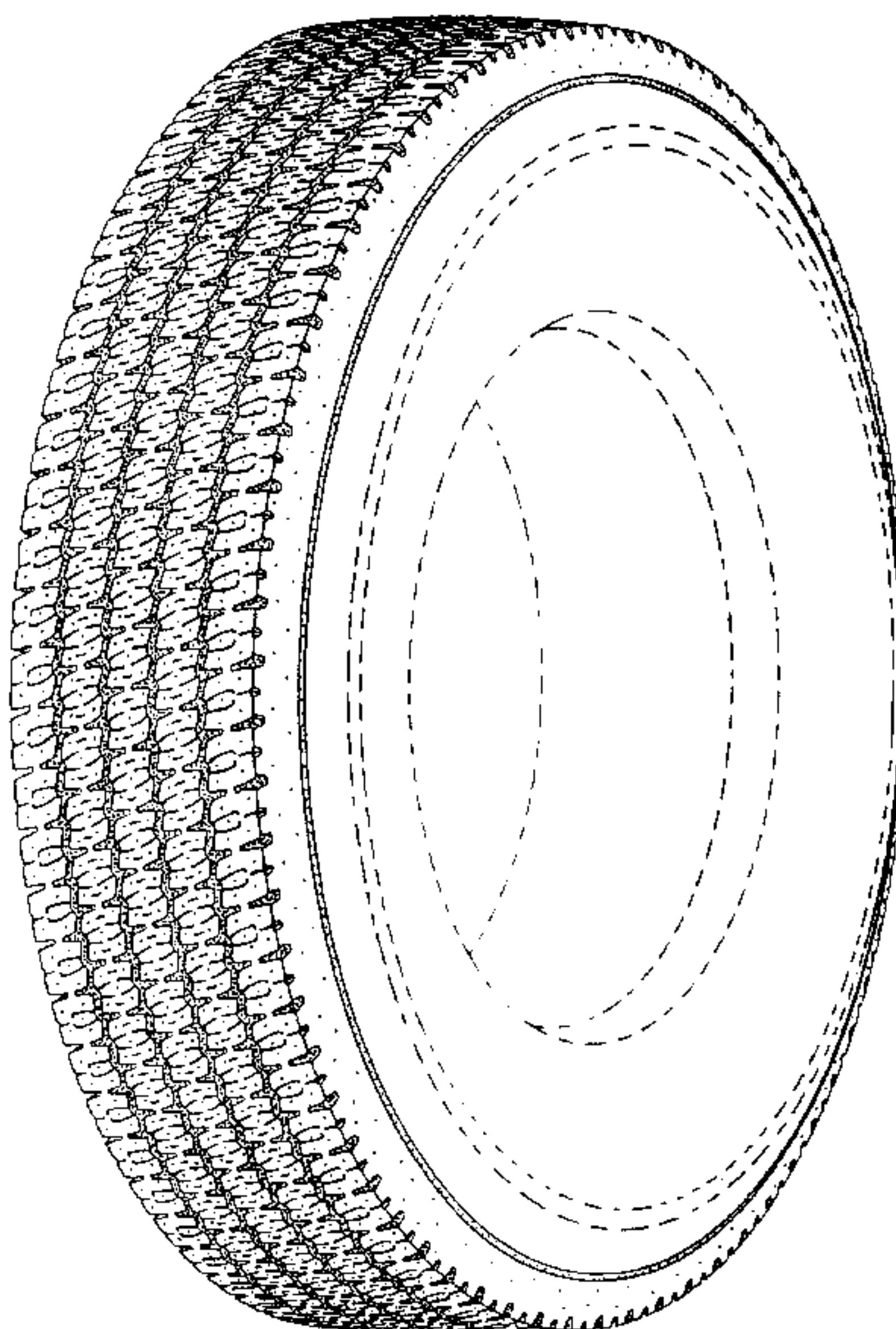
FIG. 2 is an elevational view of the tire tread design shown in FIG. 1; and,

FIG. 3 is a side view of the tire tread design, the opposite side view being identical thereto.

In the drawings, the broken lines defining the tire inner bead and sidewall are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

In the drawings, the dark stippled surface shading represents the recessed portion of the tread grooves, having a depth as best shown in FIG. 2.

**1 Claim, 3 Drawing Sheets**



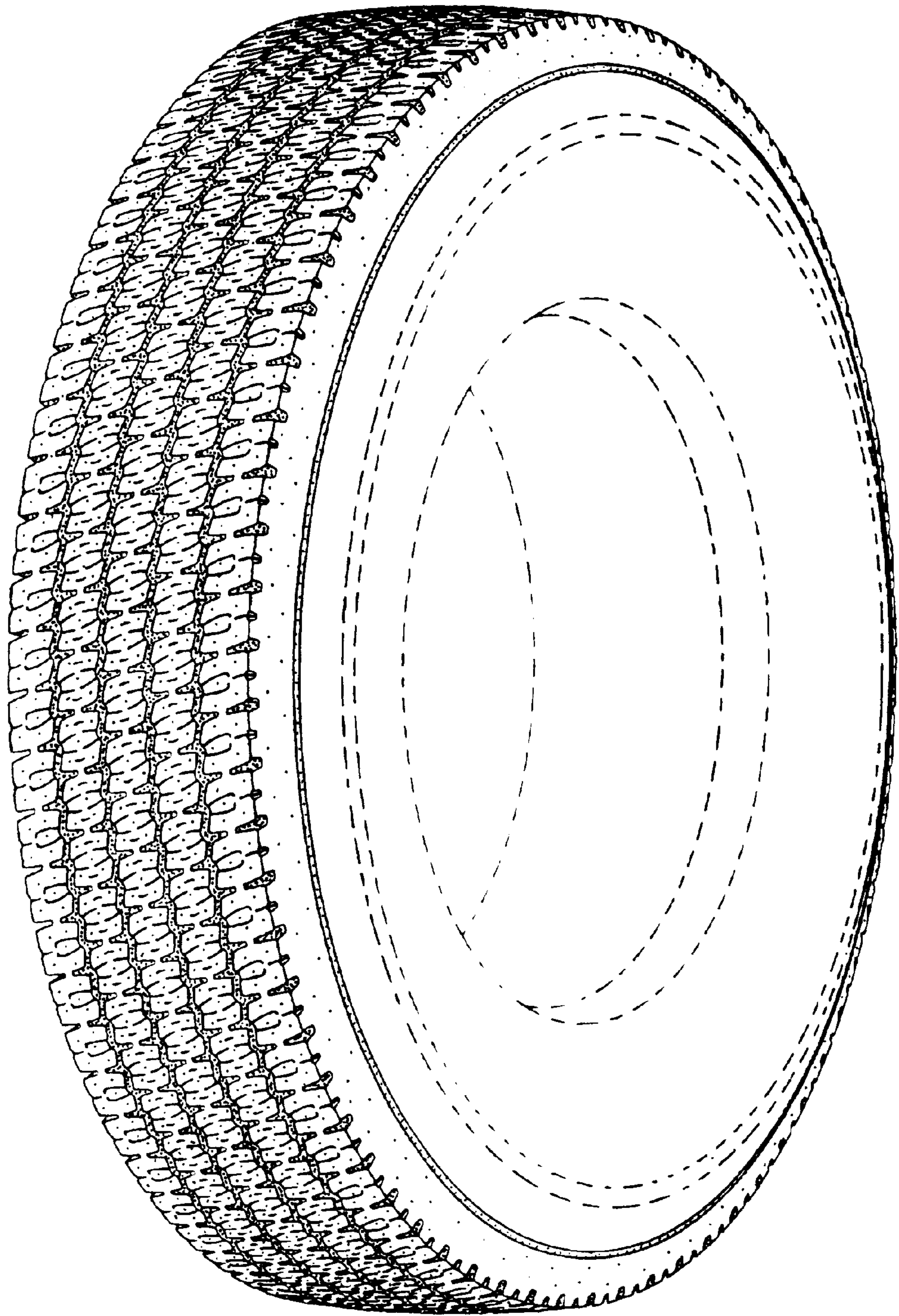


FIG. 1



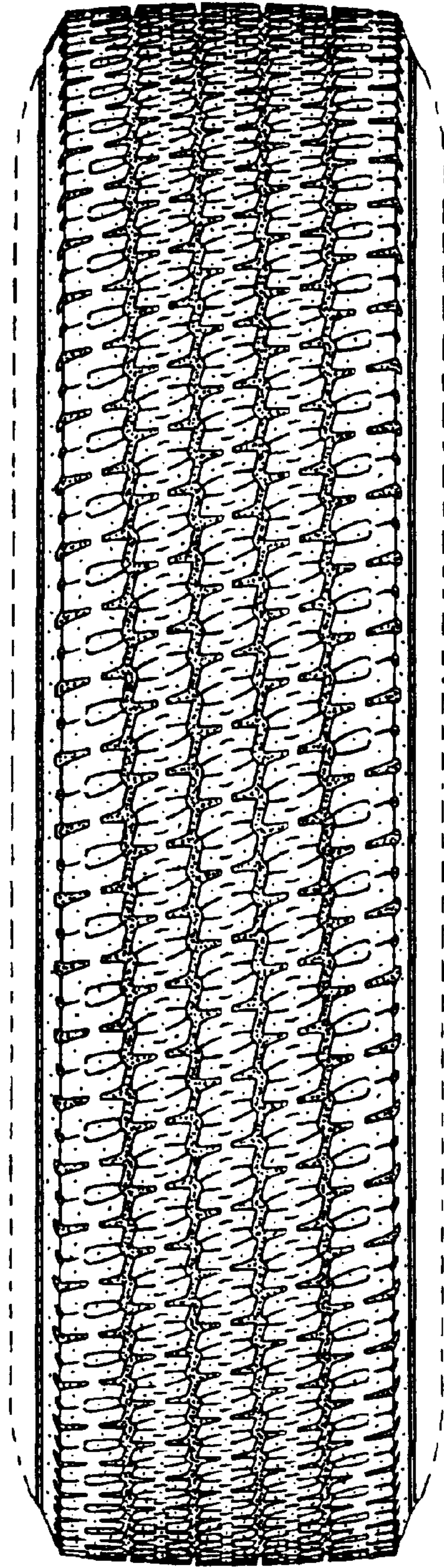


FIG. 2

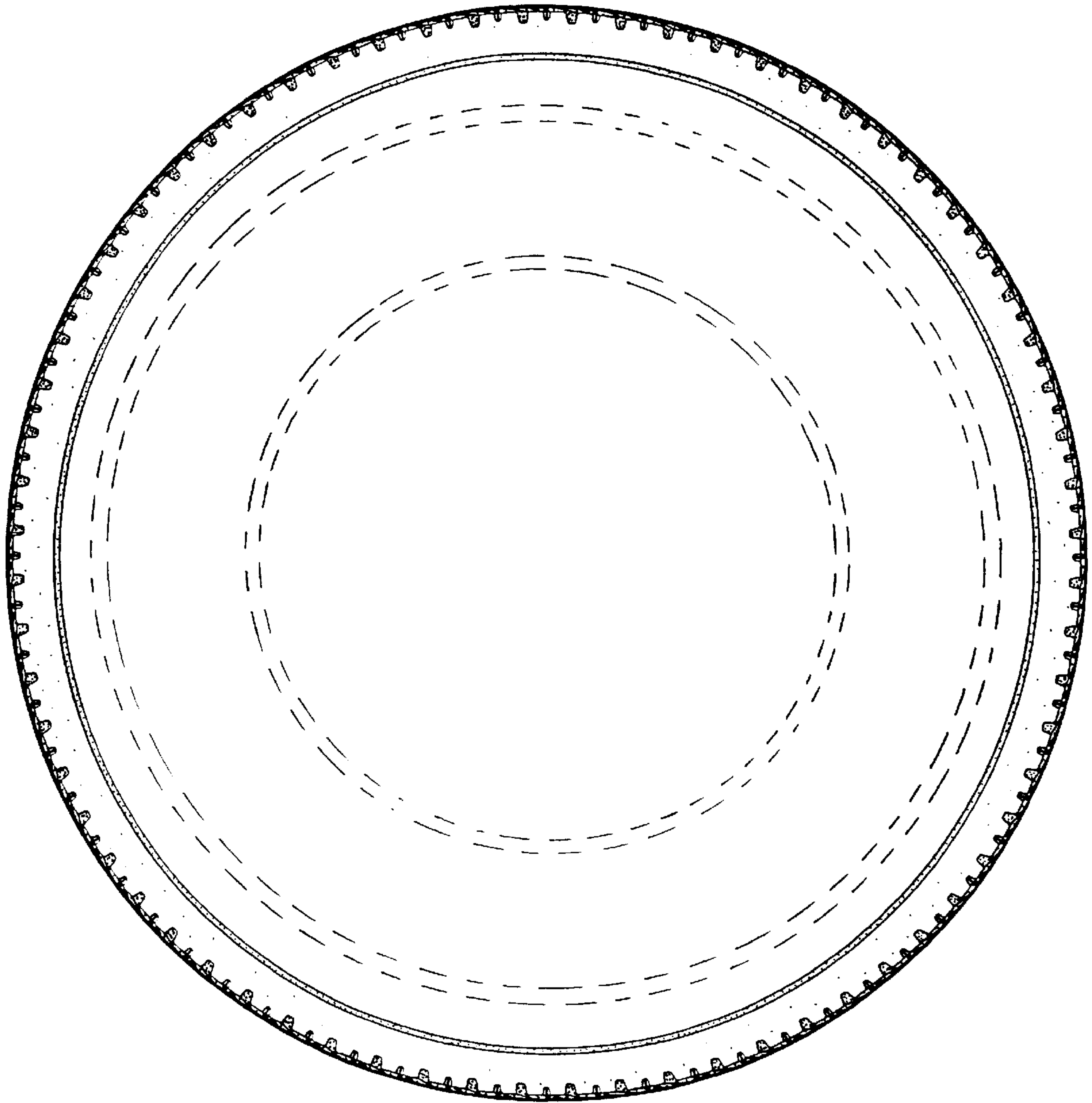


FIG. 3