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(54) **ENGAGEMENT ELEMENT FOR FOOTWEAR**

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The ornamental design for an engagement element for footwear, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the engagement element showing my new design;

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FIG. 2 is a right side view thereof, the left side view being a mirror image thereof; and,

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FIG. 3 is a bottom view thereof, the top view being a mirror image.

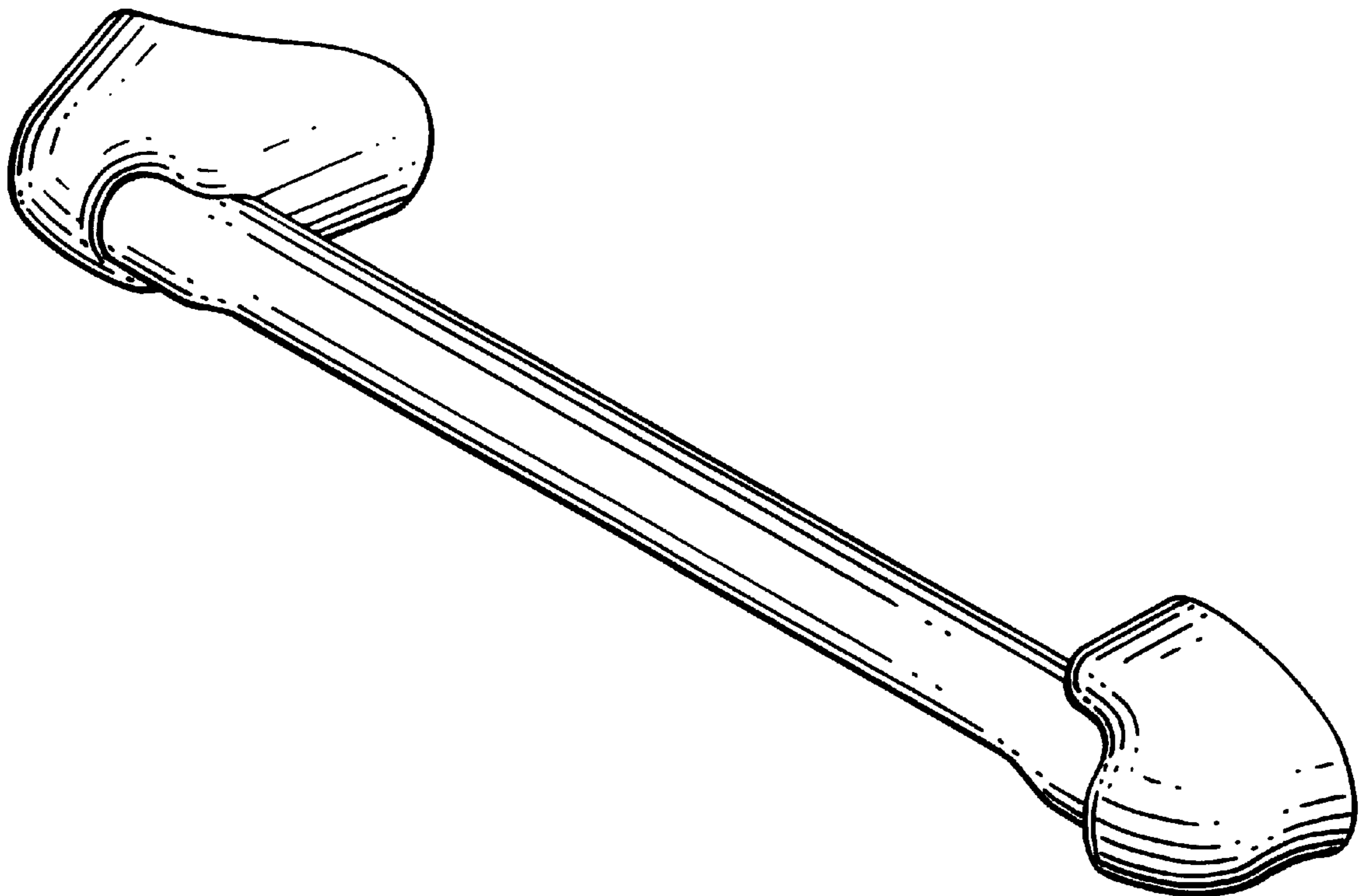
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The dotted line outline of a shoe sole in FIGS. 2 and 3 is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

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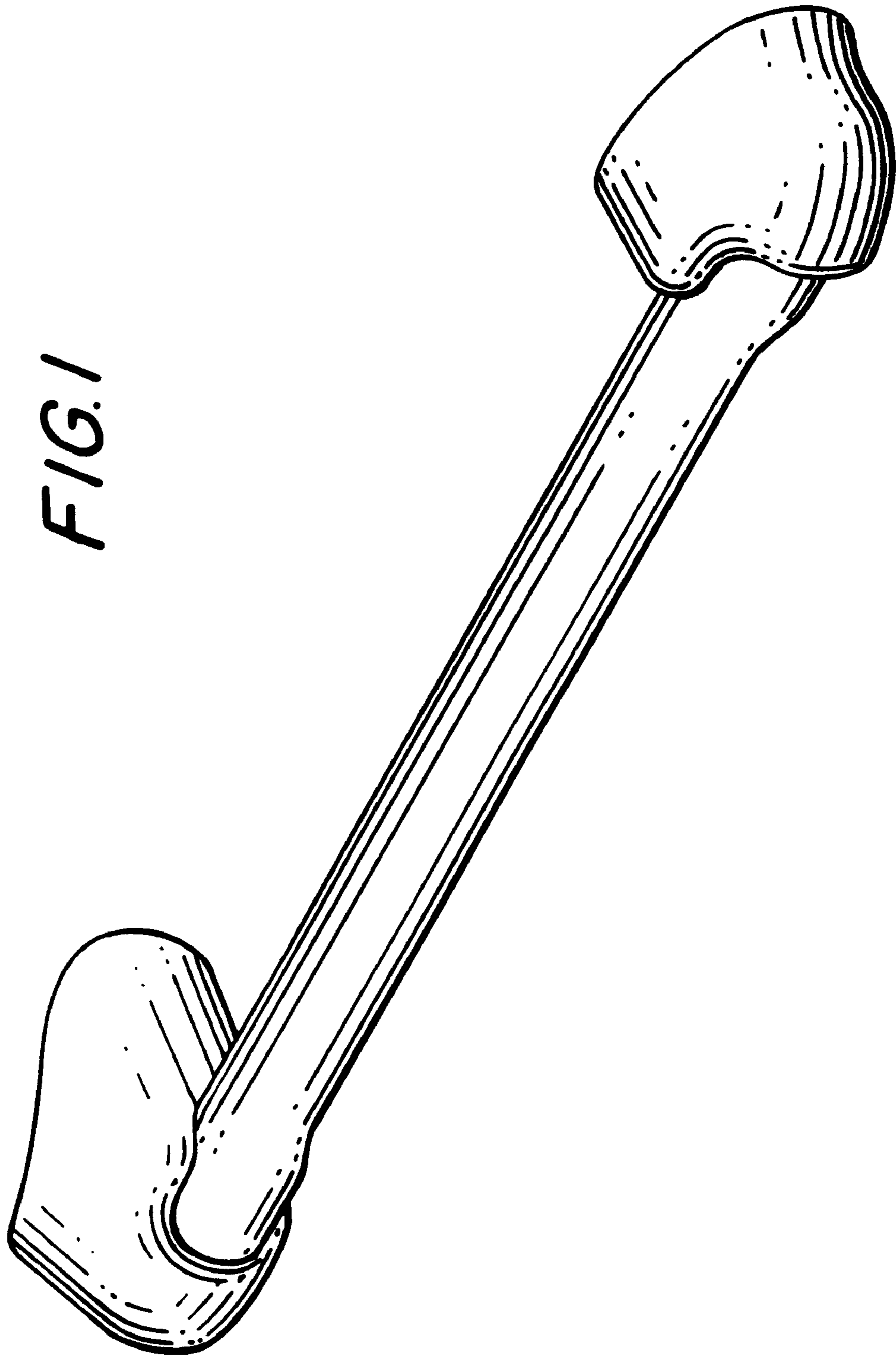


FIG. 1

FIG. 2

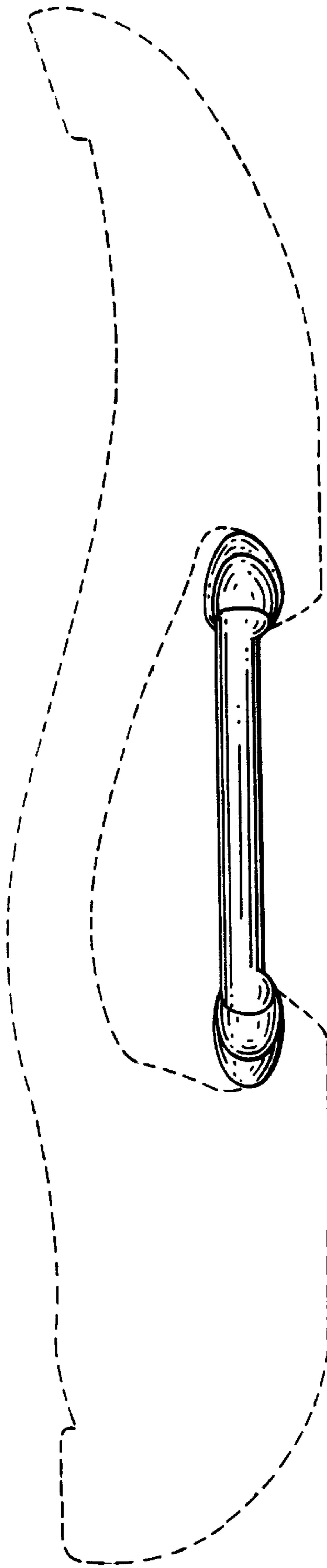


FIG. 3

