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(54) **BASE FOR BATHING AREA**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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

DESCRIPTION

In a preferred embodiment, the nature of this product is as a plumbing fixture primarily useful for bathing the body of humans.

FIG. 1 is a left, top, front perspective view of a base for bathing area embodying my new design;

FIG. 2 is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a front elevational view thereof; and,

FIG. 4 is a left side elevational view thereof, the right side elevational view being a mirror image of the left side shown.

The broken line representations of holes in FIGS. 1 and 2 are for the purpose of illustration only, and form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets

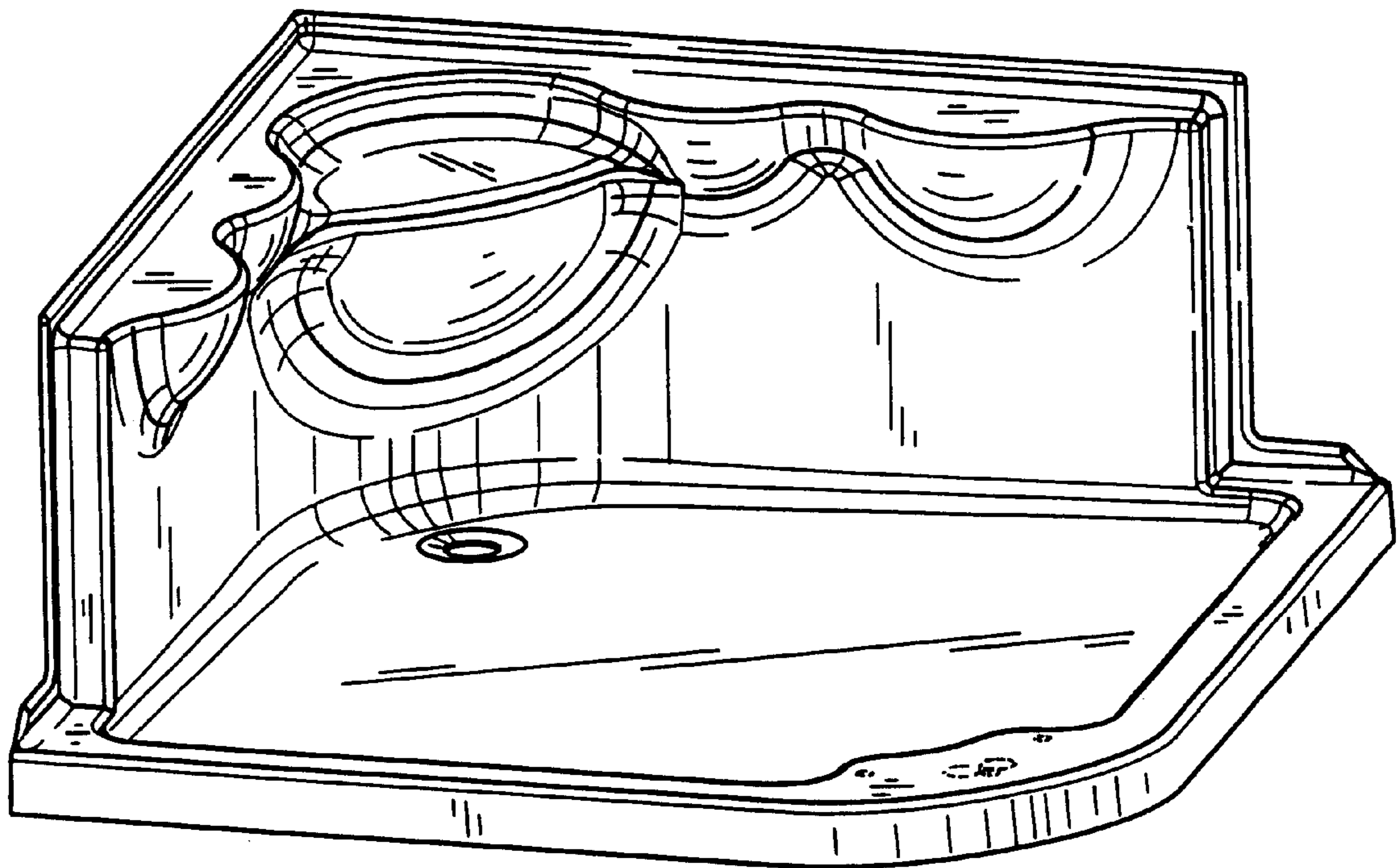


FIG. 1

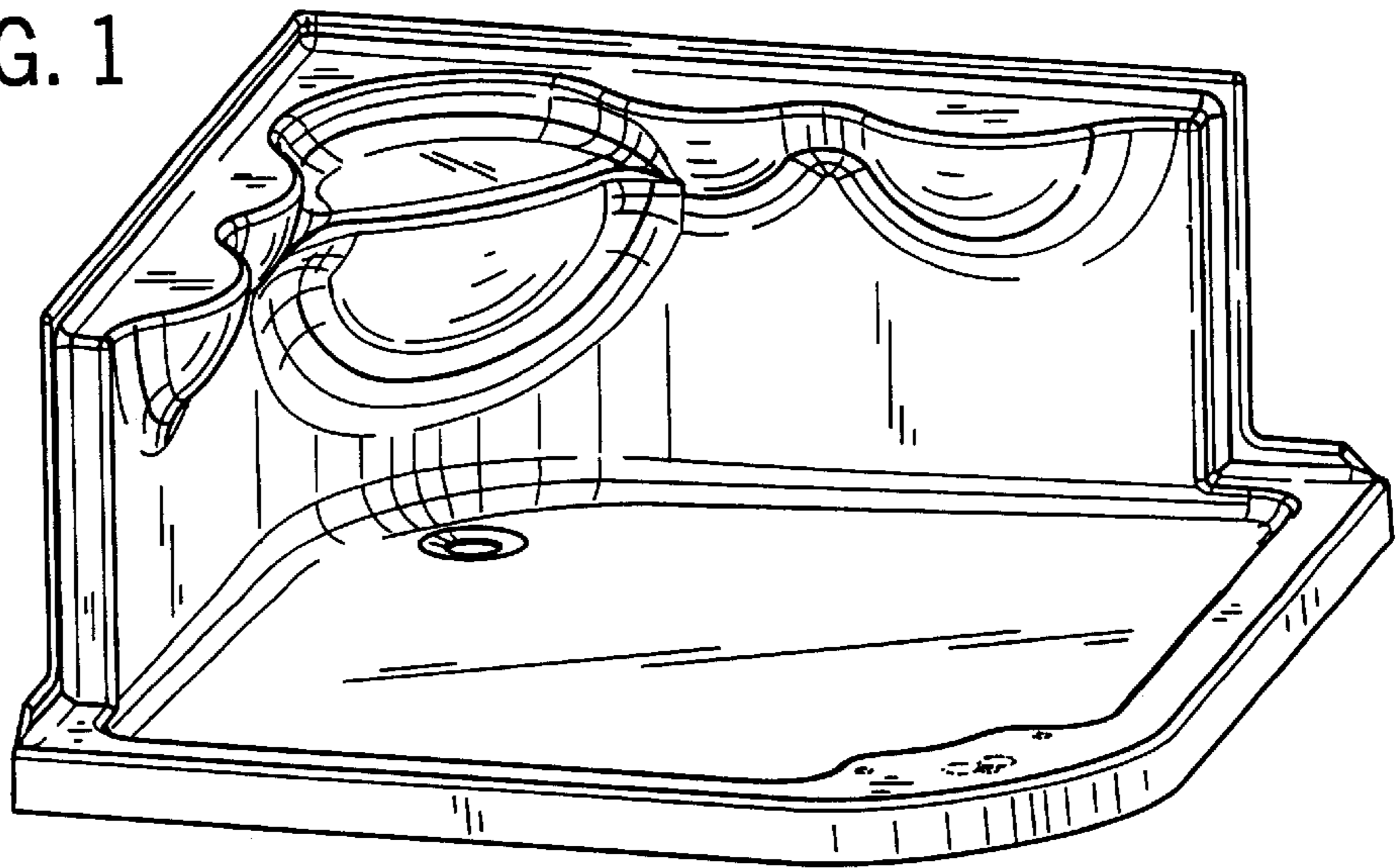


FIG. 2

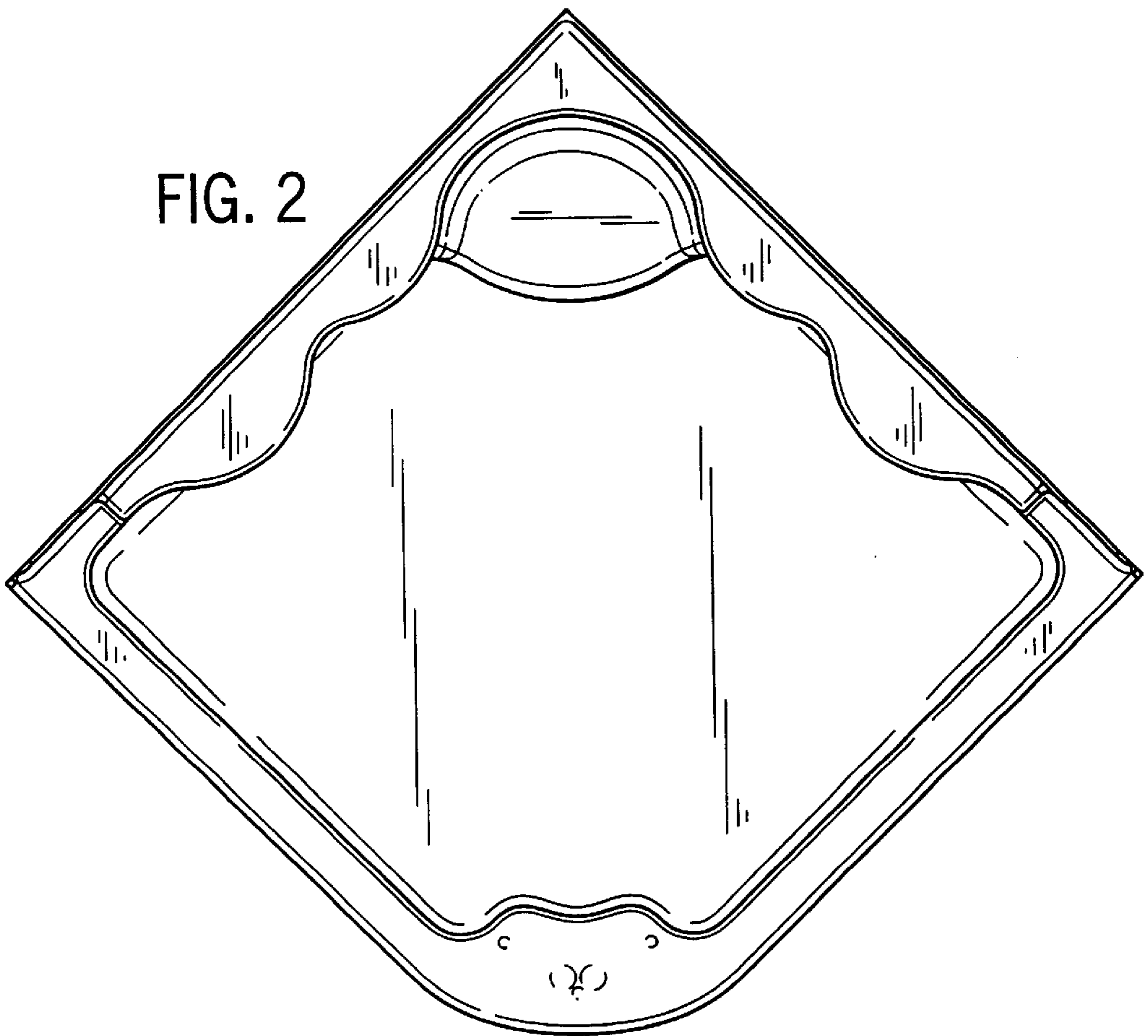


FIG. 3

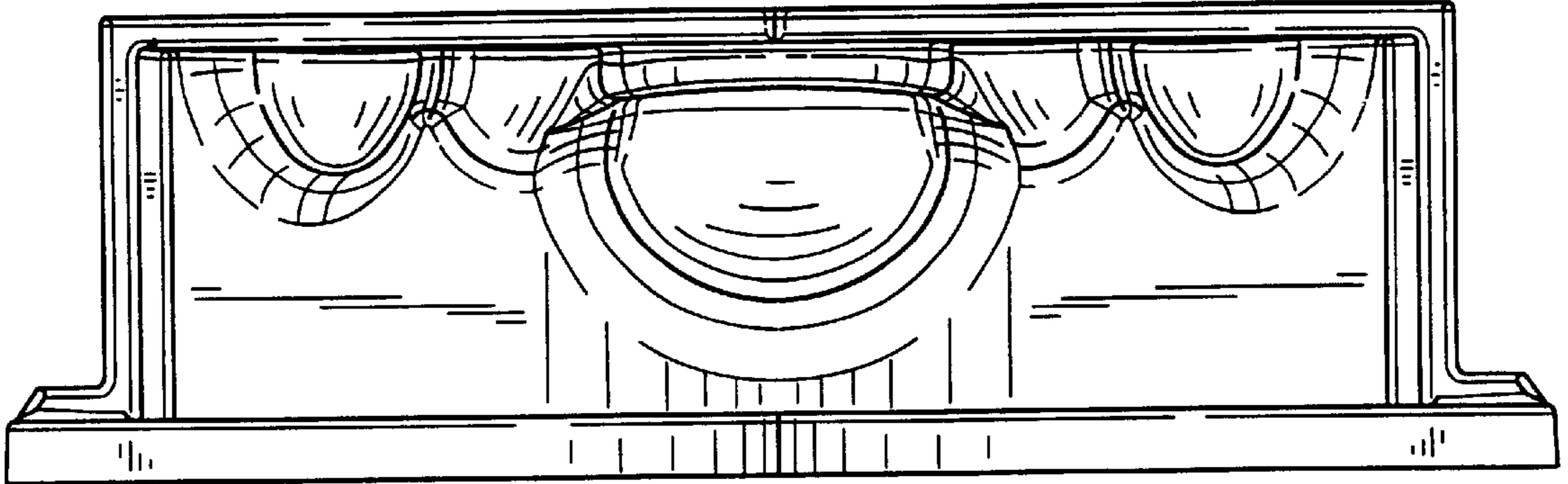


FIG. 4

