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(54) **FINGERNAIL ENHANCEMENT**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for the fingernail enhancement, as shown.

**DESCRIPTION**

This application is related to a copending utility patent application by Michele Washington entitled "Apparatus and Method For Covering Fingernails", Ser. No. 09/324,680, filed Jun. 3, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,293,283.

FIG. 1 shows a perspective view of the fingernail enhancement of the present invention which is made of metal, gold, silver, precious metals, metal electroplated with precious or other metal, or colored injection molded plastic;

FIG. 2 is a top plan view of the fingernail enhancement in FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a side elevational view of the fingernail enhancement in FIG. 1;

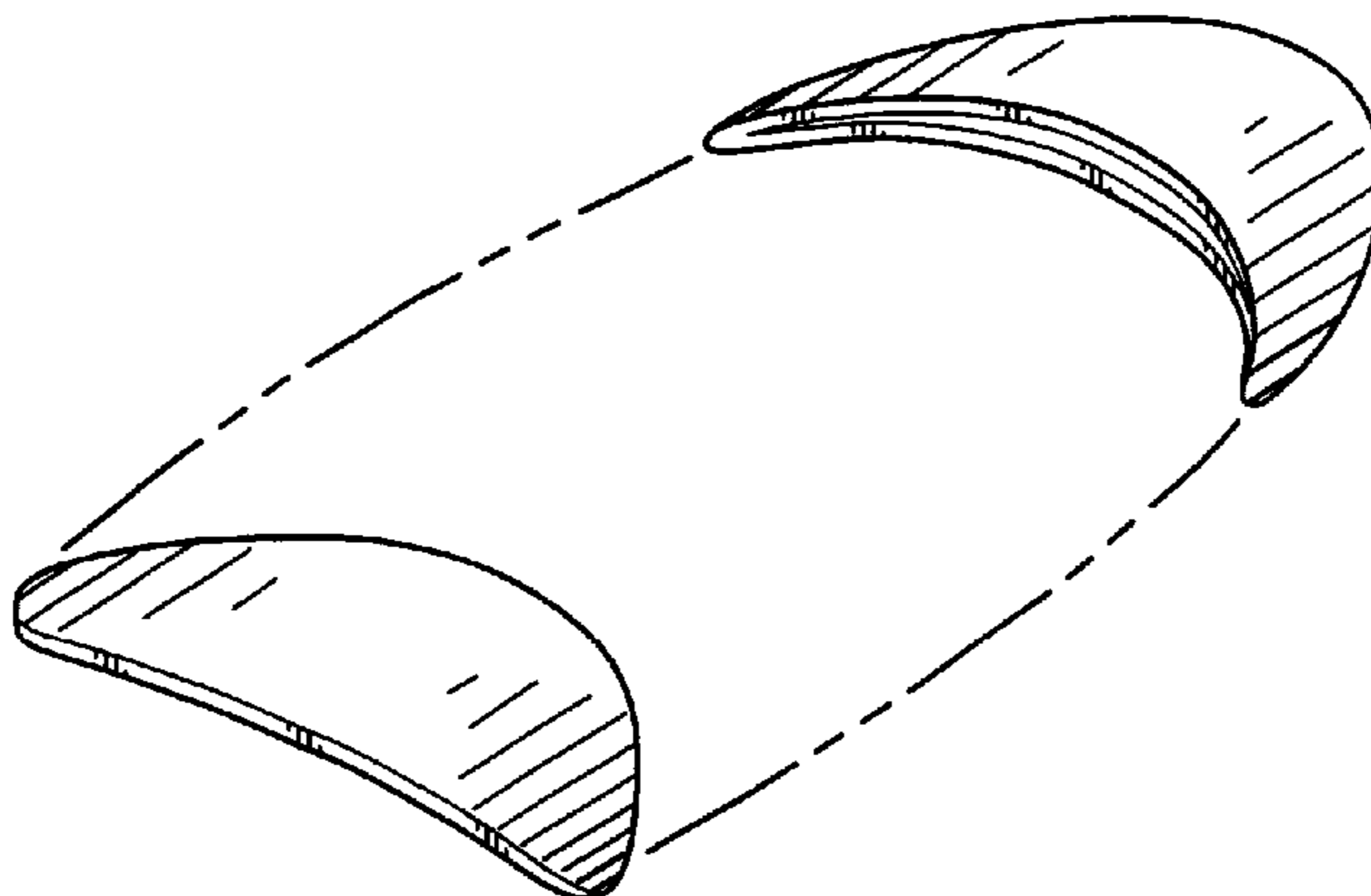
FIG. 4 is a front elevational view of the fingernail enhancement in FIG. 1;

FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view of the fingernail enhancement in FIG. 1; and,

FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view of the fingernail enhancement in FIG. 1 taken along line 6—6 shown in FIG. 2.

The broken line showing a fingernail on which a fingernail enhancement is mounted in several of the figures is for illustration only and does not form a part of the claimed design.

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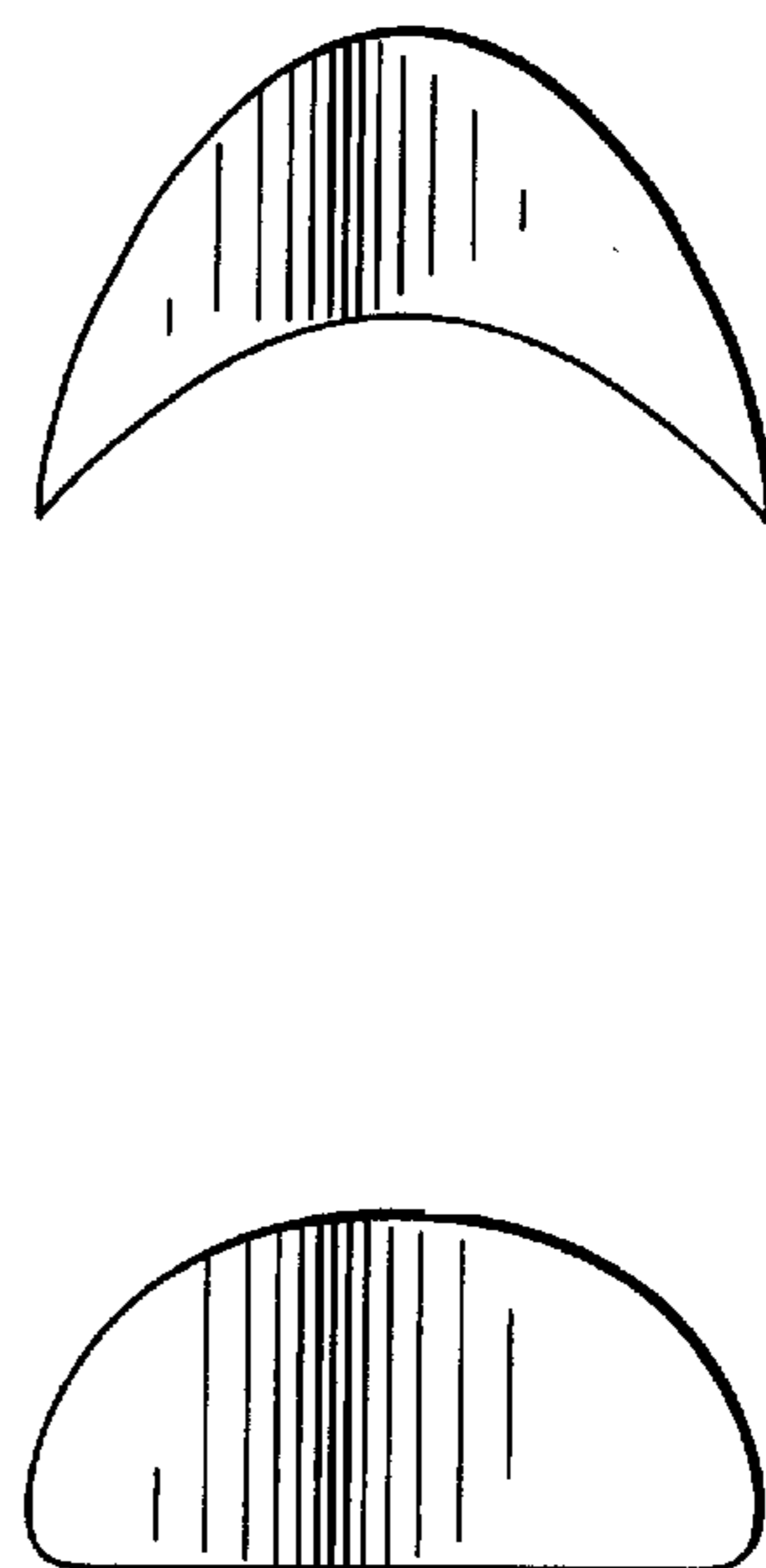
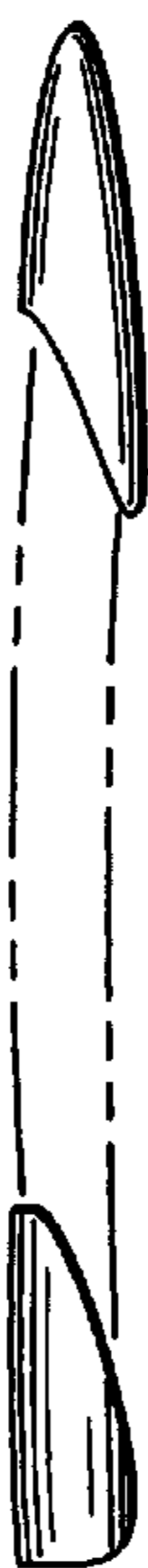
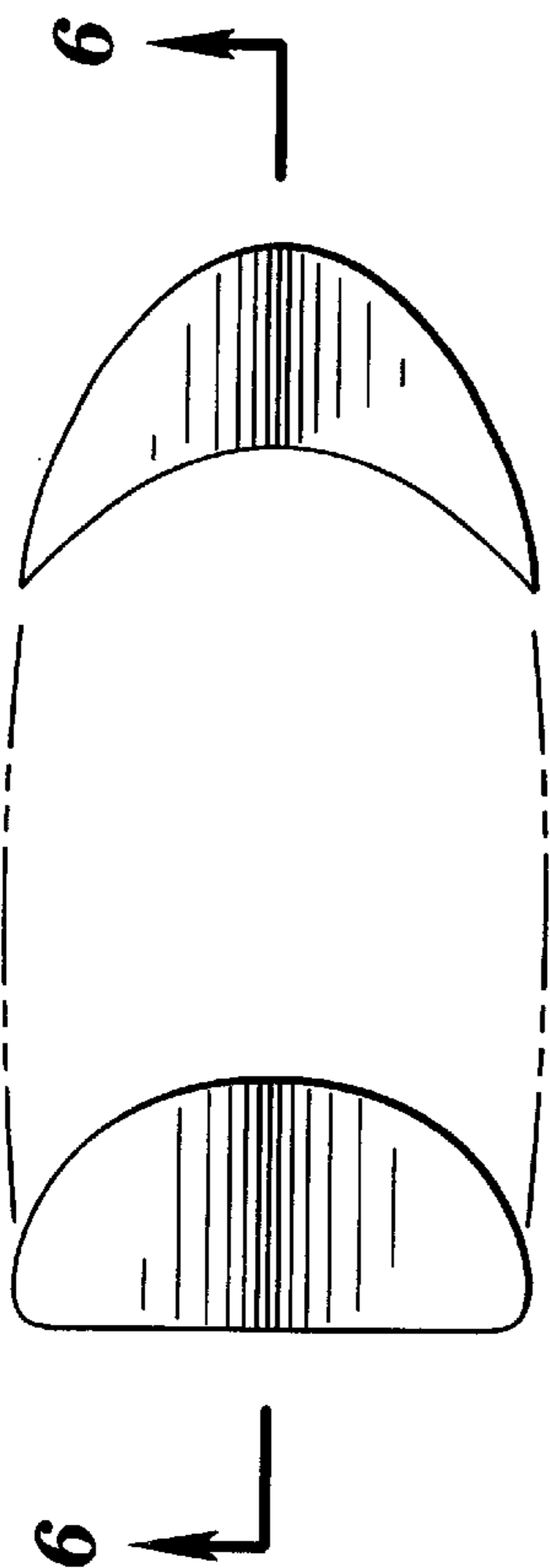
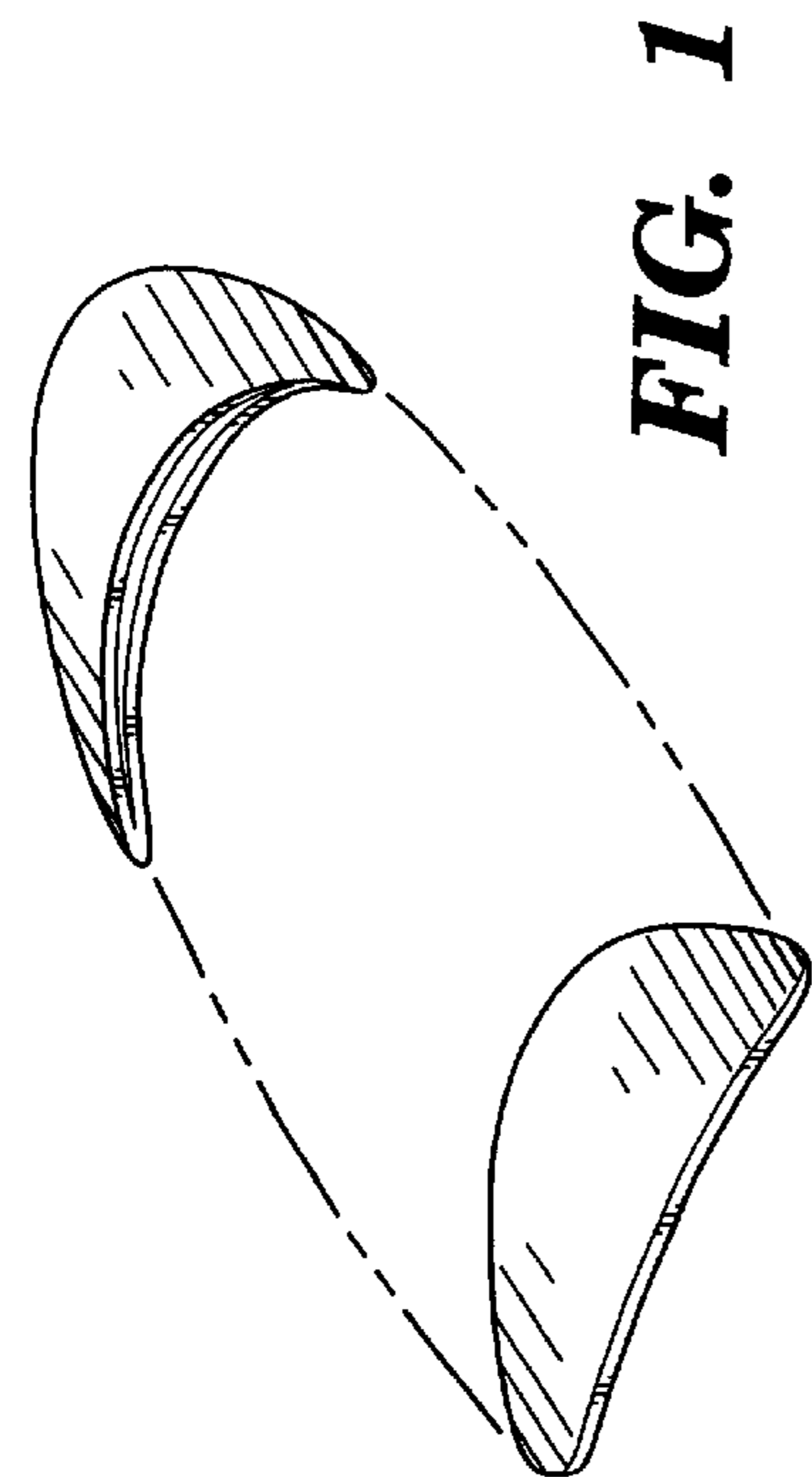
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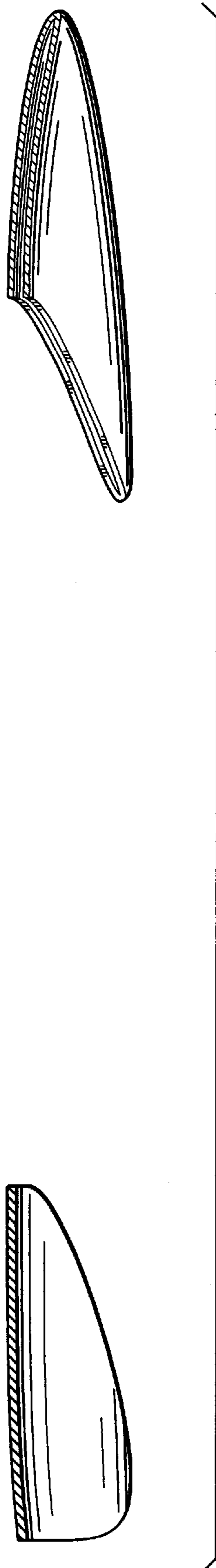
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**FIG. 6**