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(54) **TIRE TREAD**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tire tread showing a first embodiment of my new design, it being understood that the tread pattern repeats uniformly throughout the outer surface and shoulder circumference the tire tread, the opposite side perspective view being identical thereto;

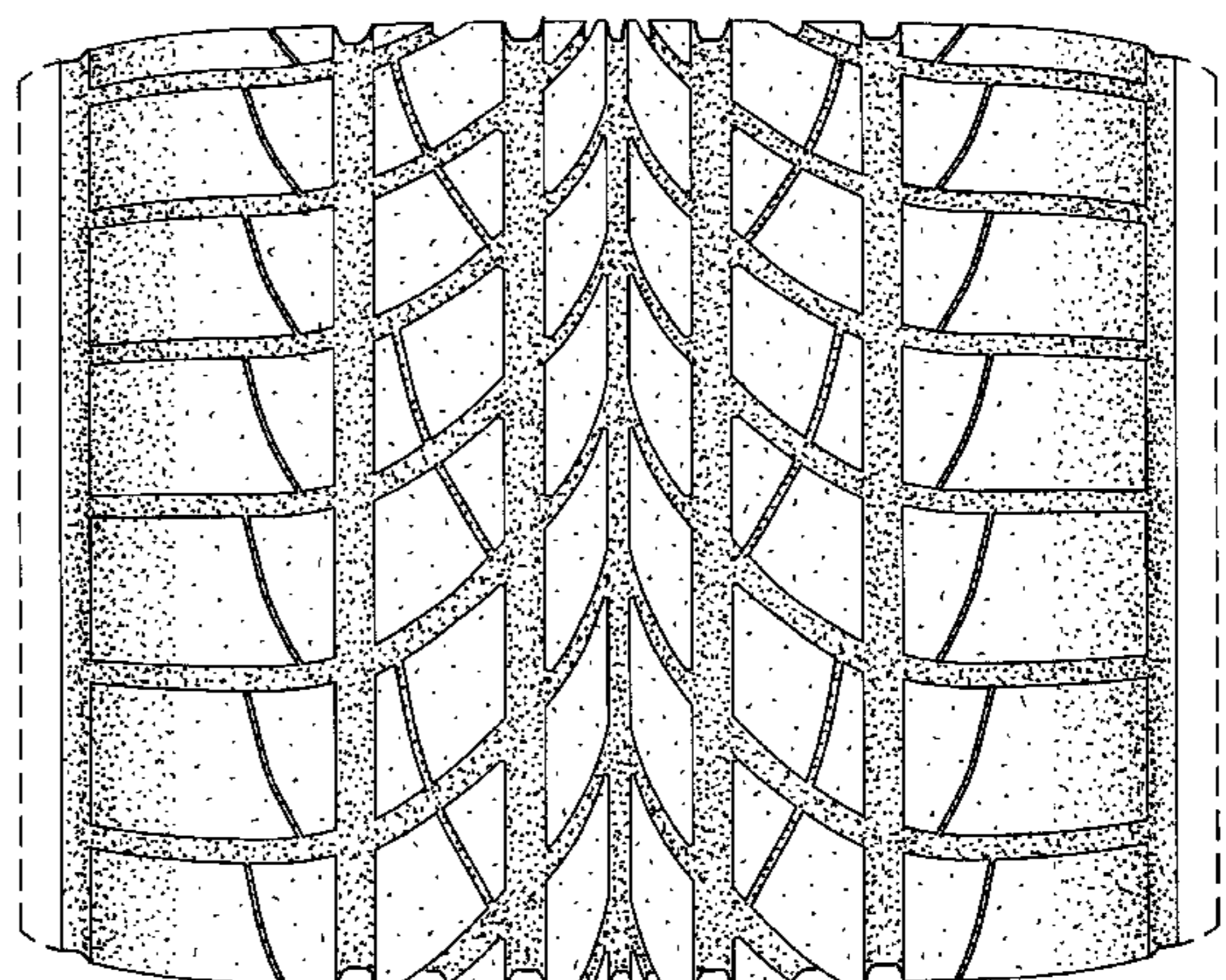
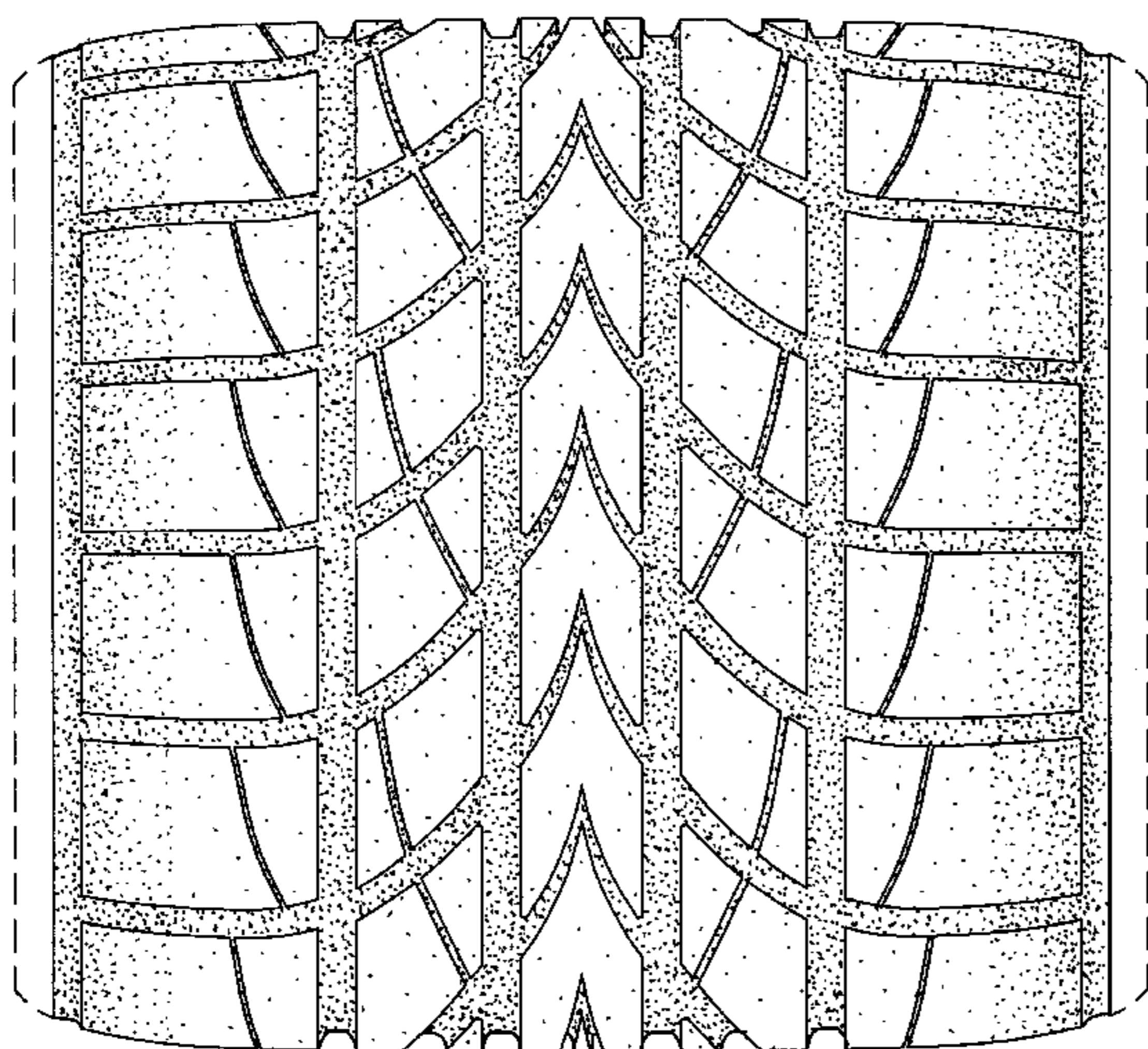
FIG. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary front elevation view of the tire tread of FIG. 1 thereof;

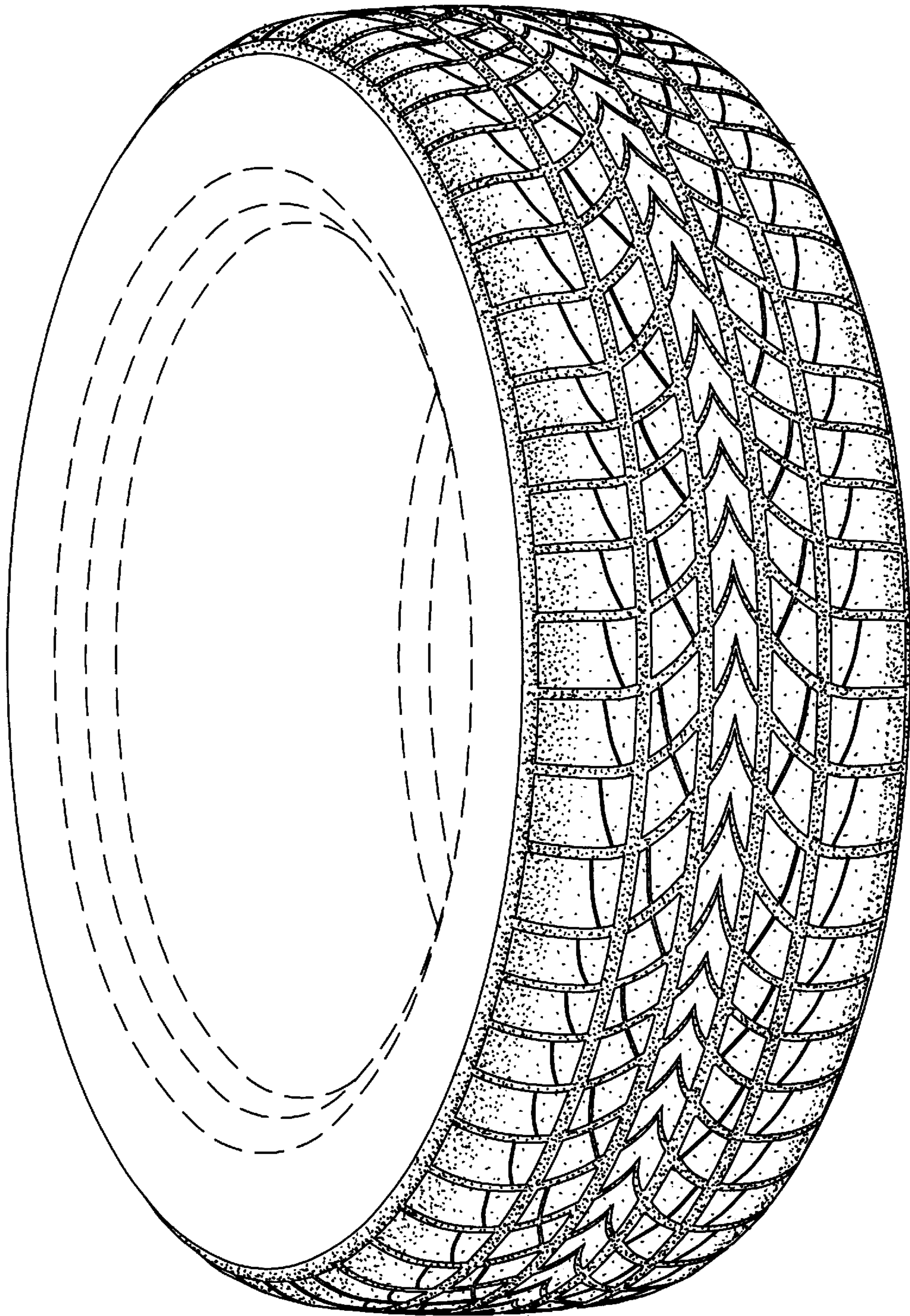
FIG. 3 is a perspective view of a tire tread showing a second embodiment of my new design, it being understood that the tread pattern repeats uniformly throughout the outer surface and shoulder circumference the tire tread, the opposite side perspective view being identical thereto; and,

FIG. 4 is an enlarged fragmentary front elevation view of the tire tread of FIG. 2 thereof.

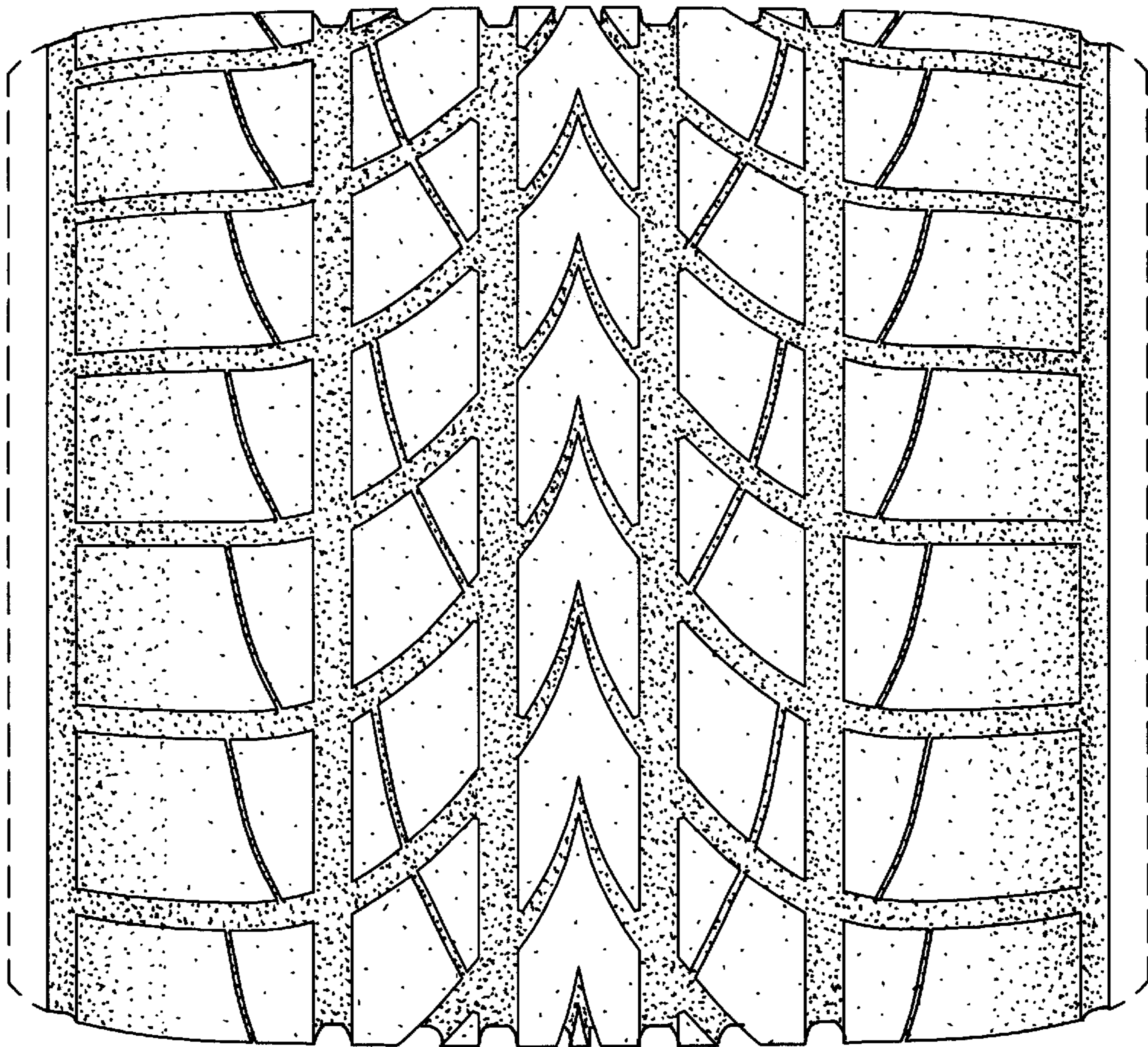
The broken line disclosure of the tire sidewall and inner bead is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

**1 Claim, 4 Drawing Sheets**

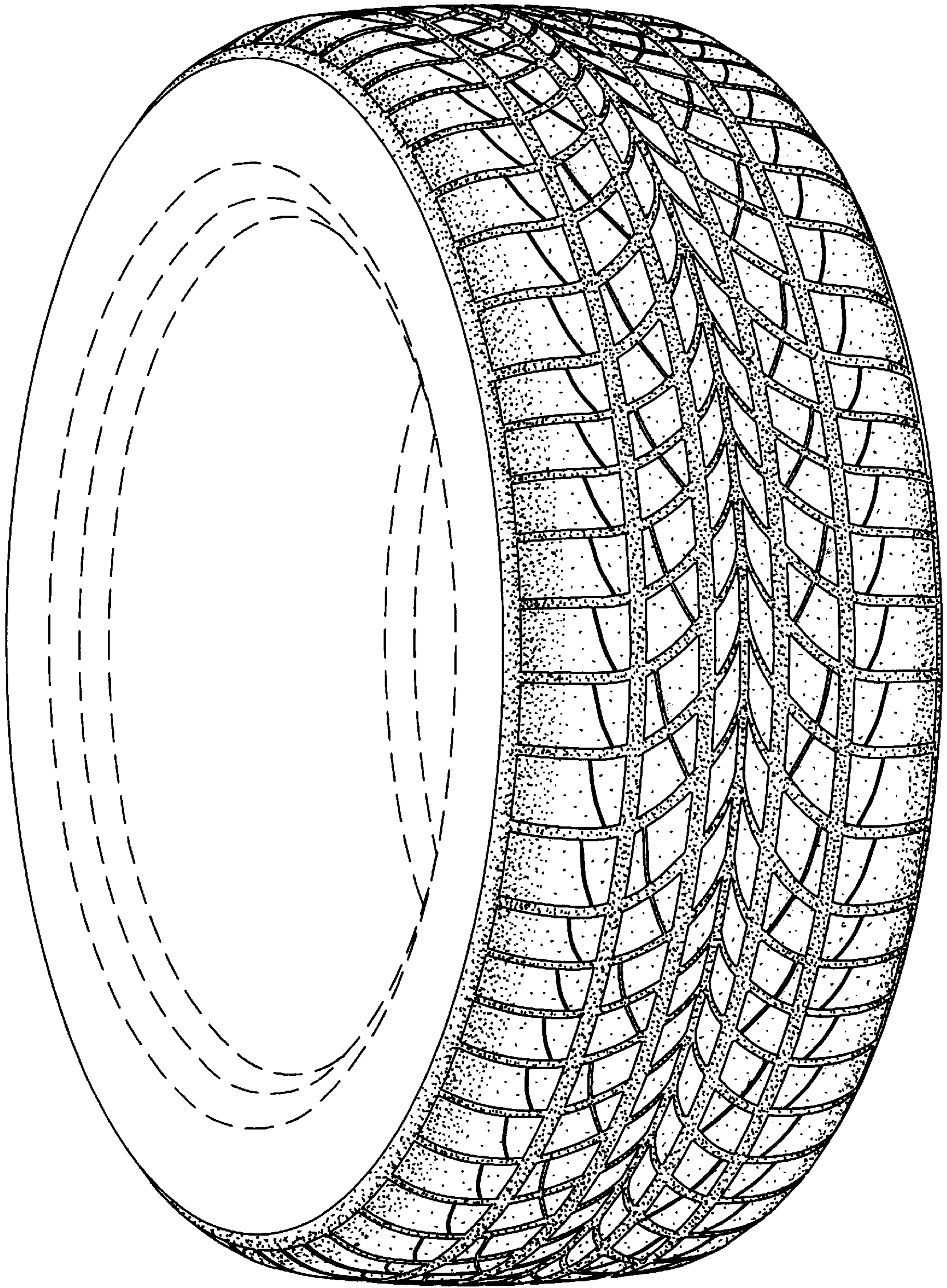




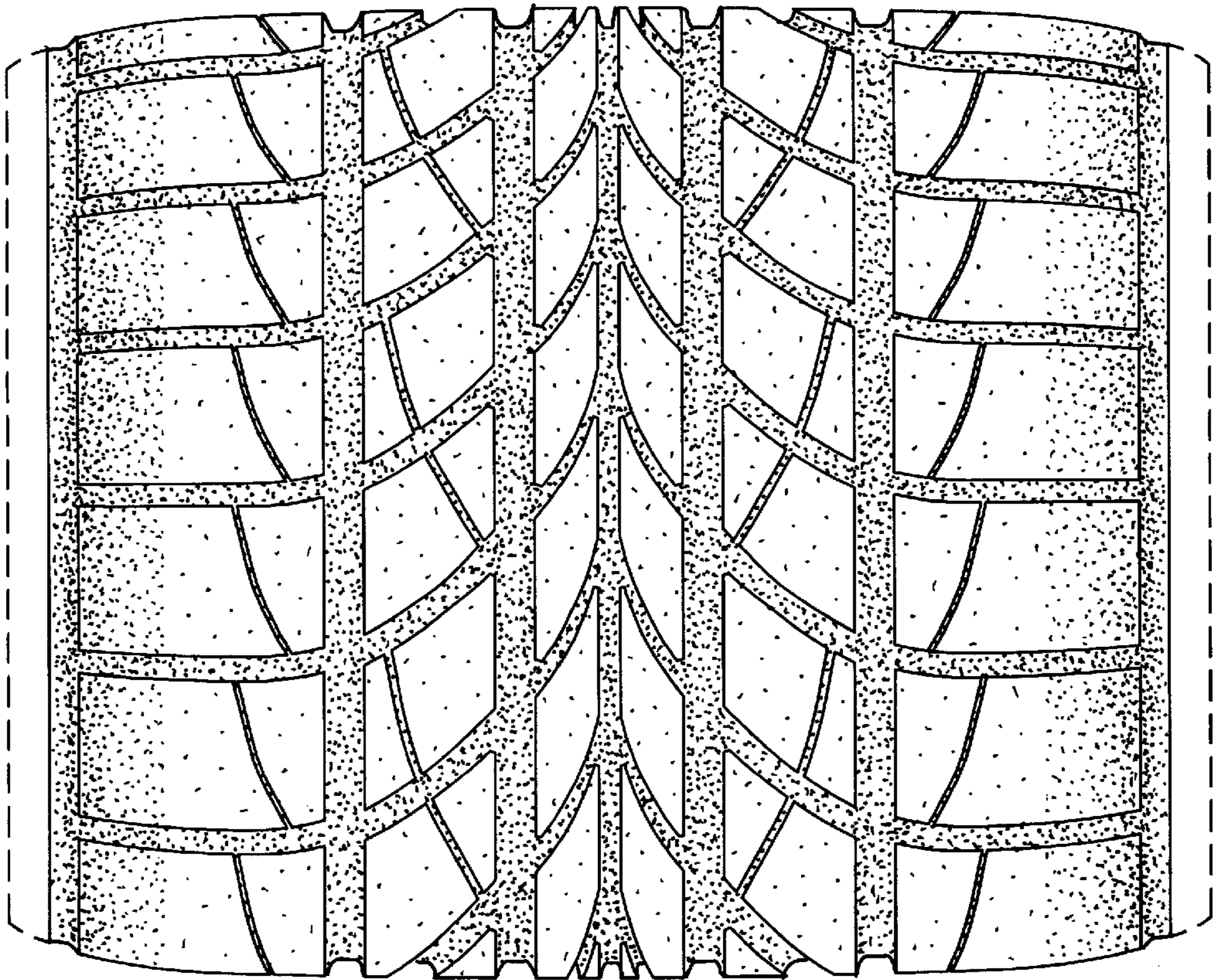
*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2*



*Fig. 3*



*Fig. 4*

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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

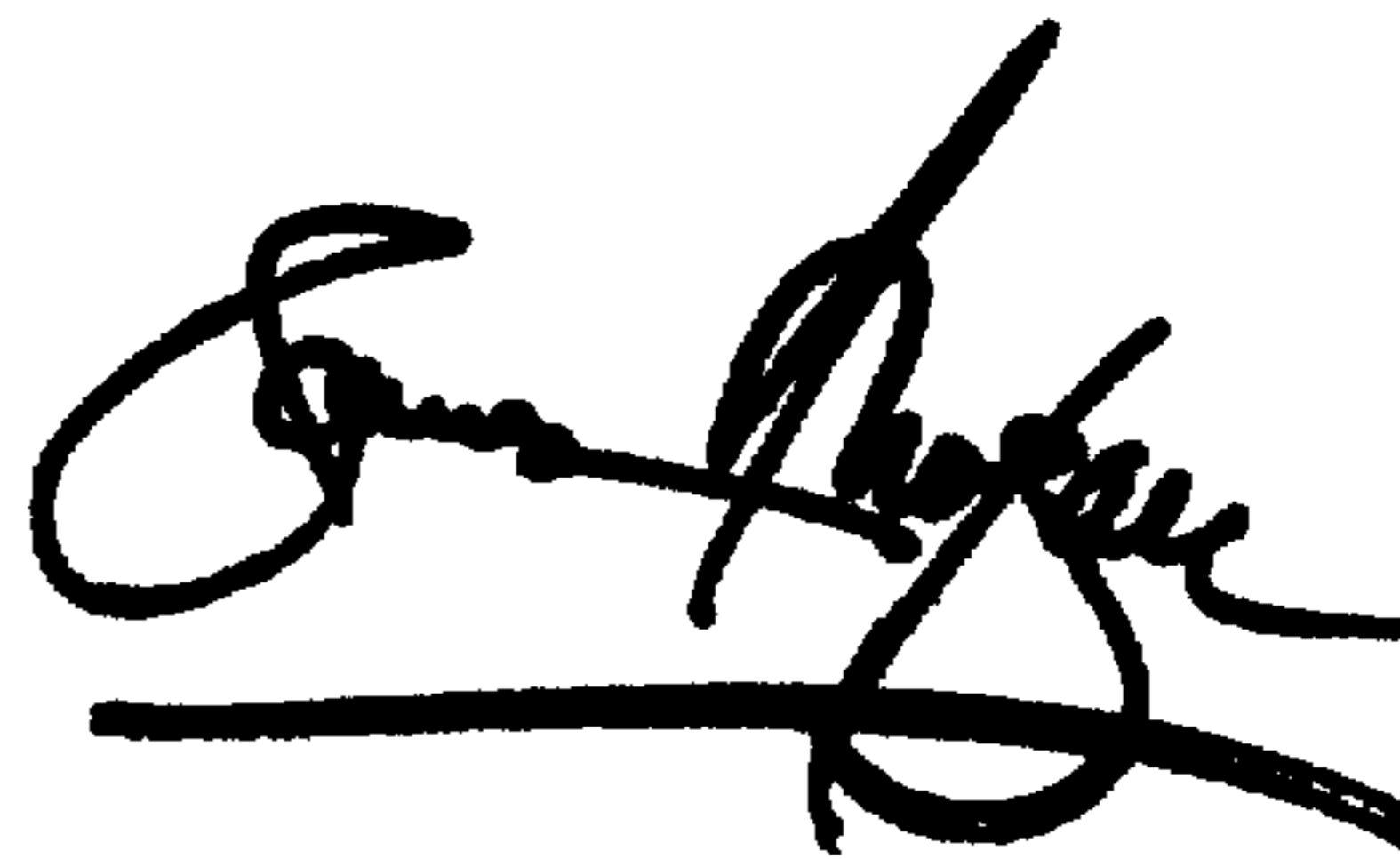
Title page.

Please correct item [75] Inventor, to read -- Ellen MacDonald Williams, Greer, SC (US) -- to reflect the correct middle name of the inventor.

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