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(54) **HANDLE FOR SURGICAL INSTRUMENT**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for a handle for a surgical instrument, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a handle for a surgical instrument showing our new design;

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FIG. 2 is a left side elevational view thereof;

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FIG. 3 is a right side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a rear elevational view thereof;

FIG. 6 is a top plan view thereof; and,

FIG. 7 is a bottom plan view thereof.

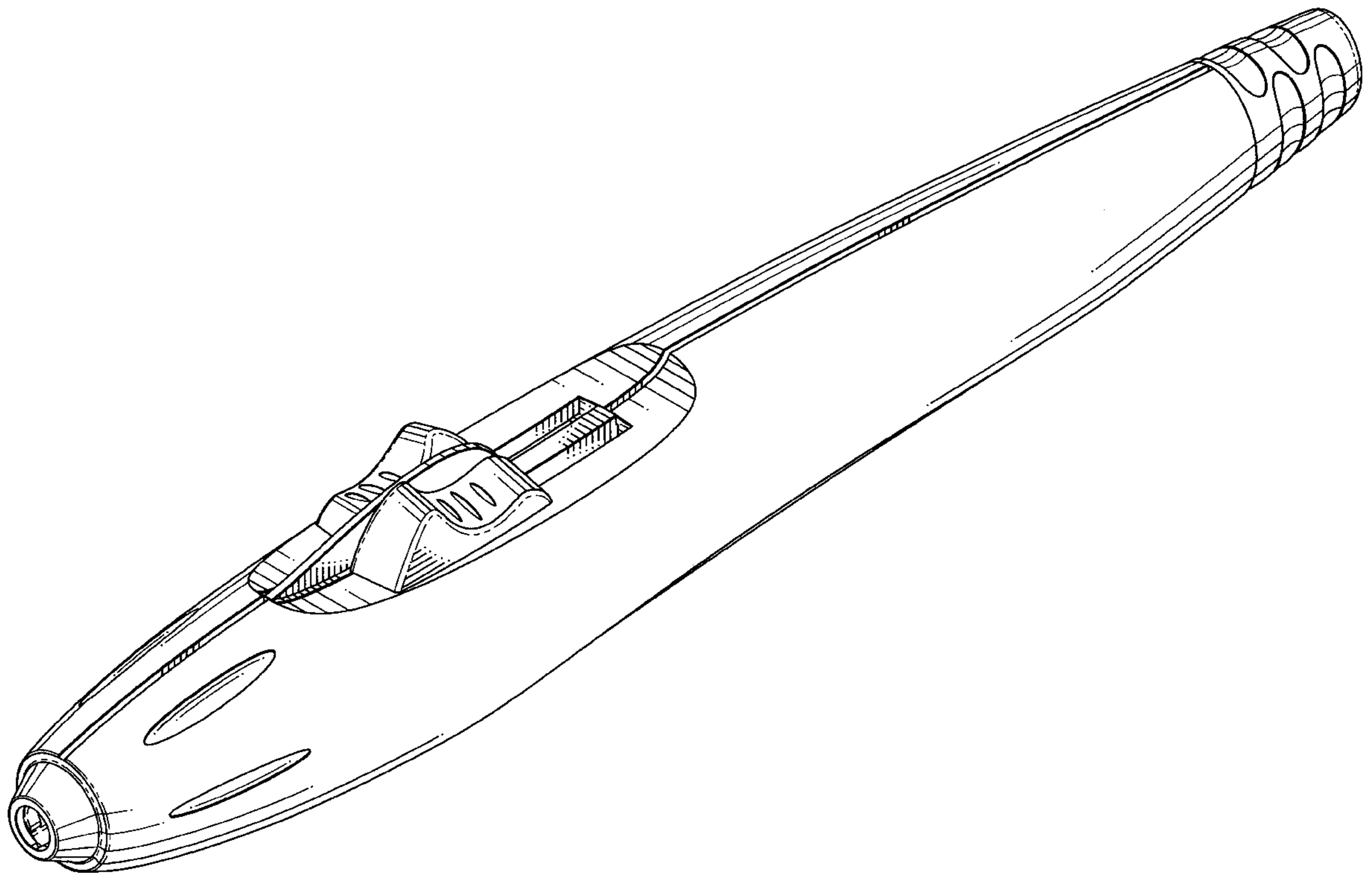
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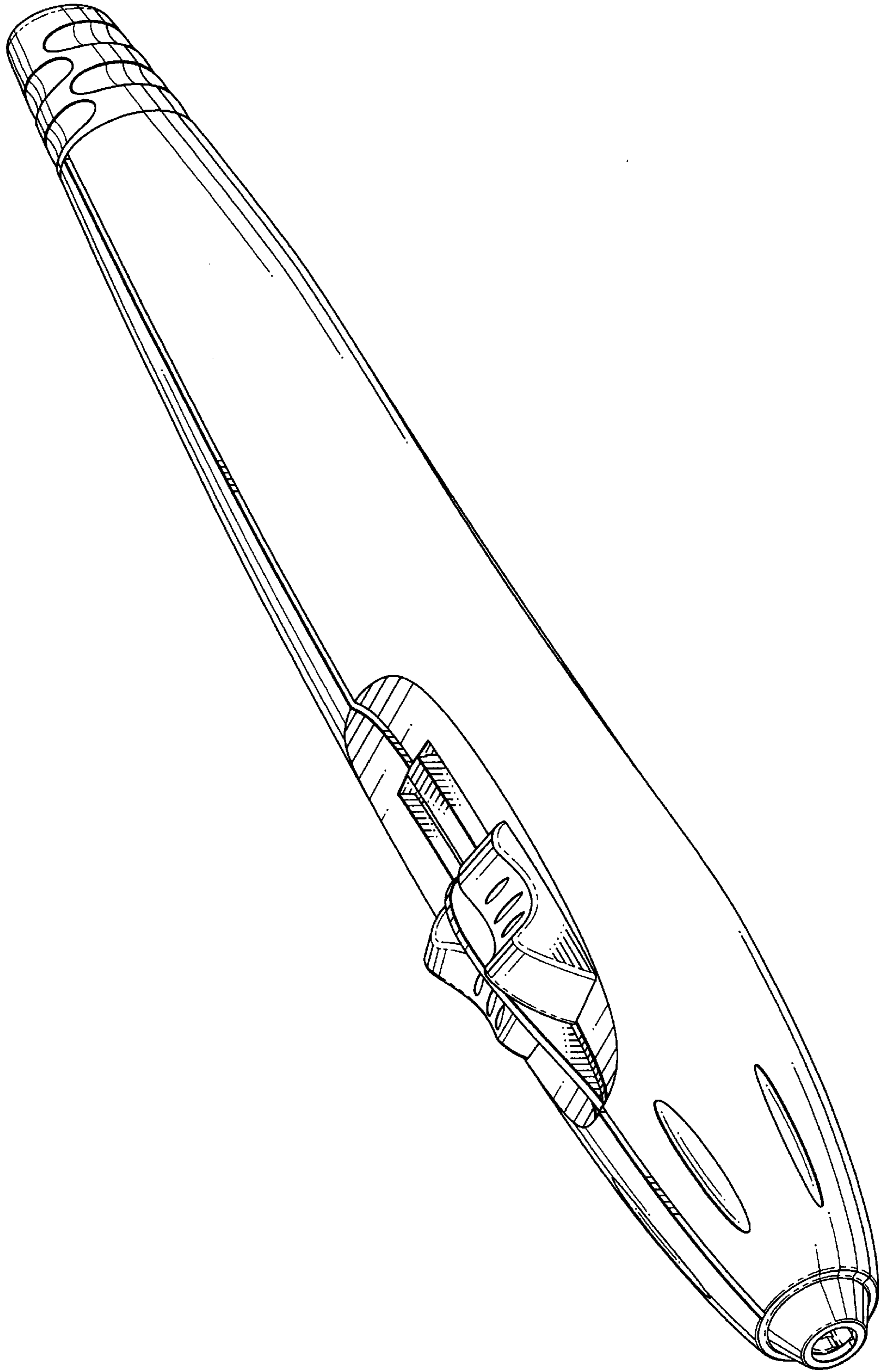


FIG. 1

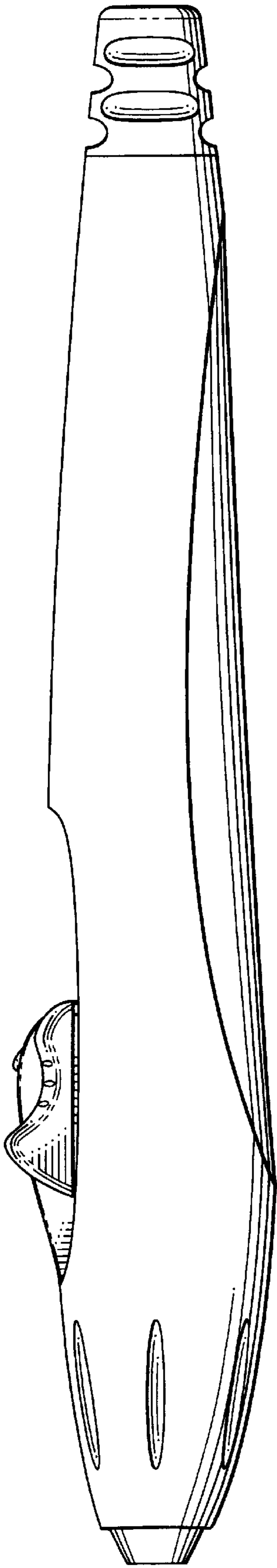


FIG. 2

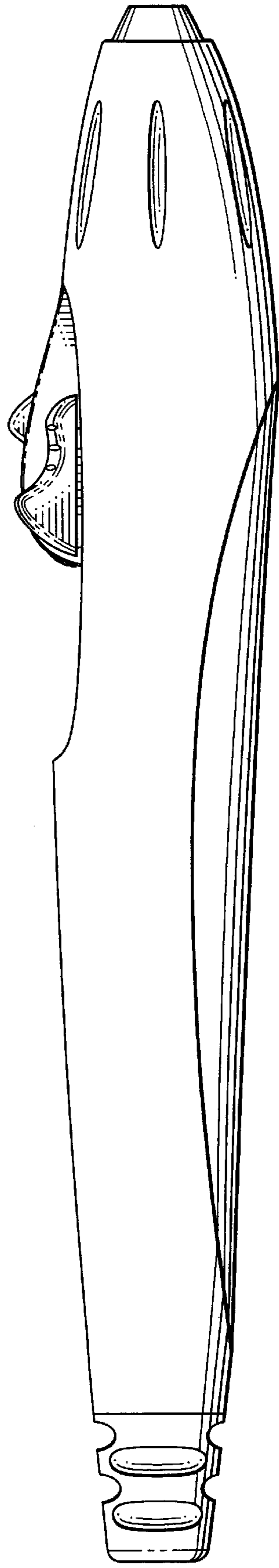


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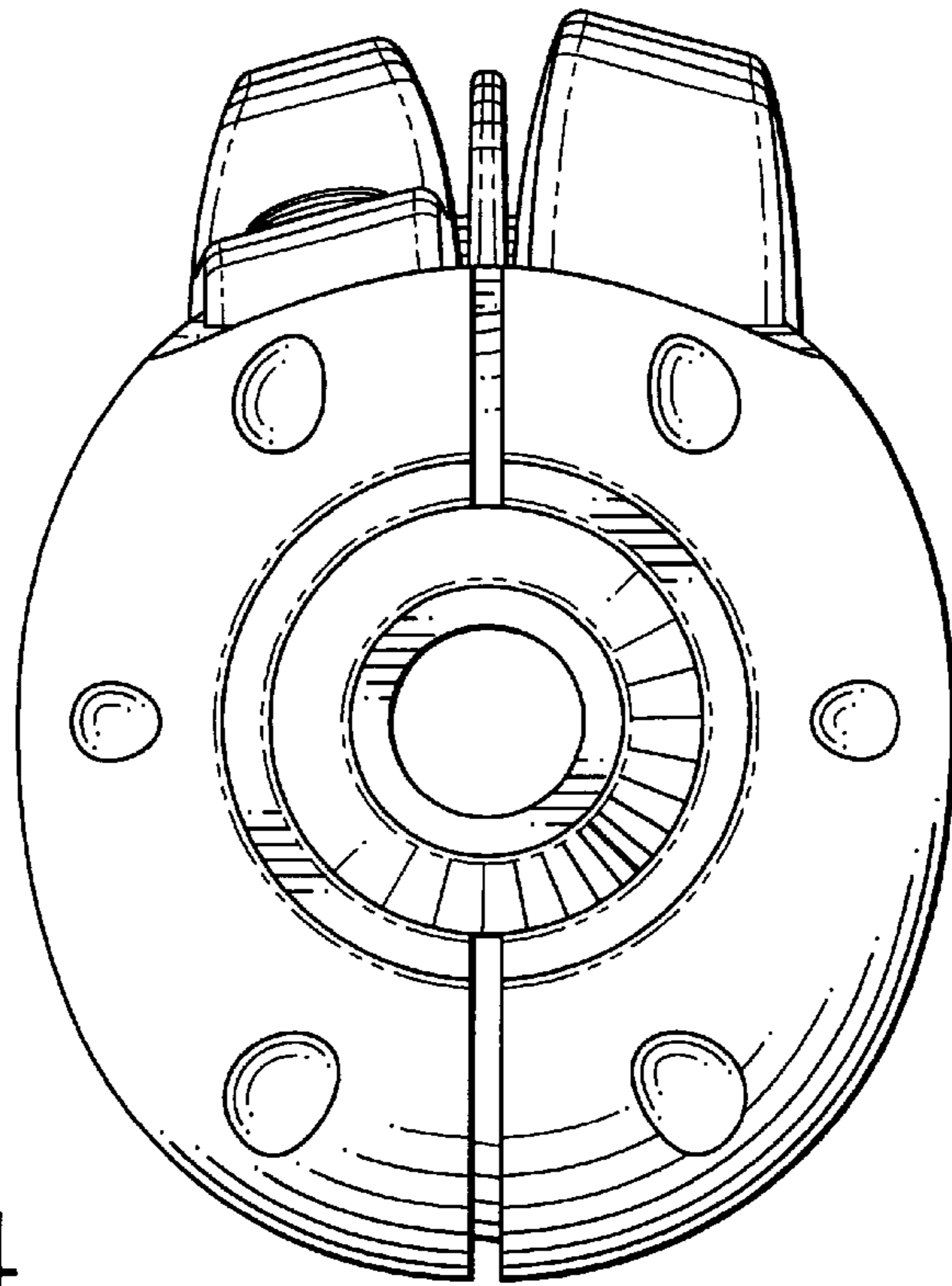


FIG. 4

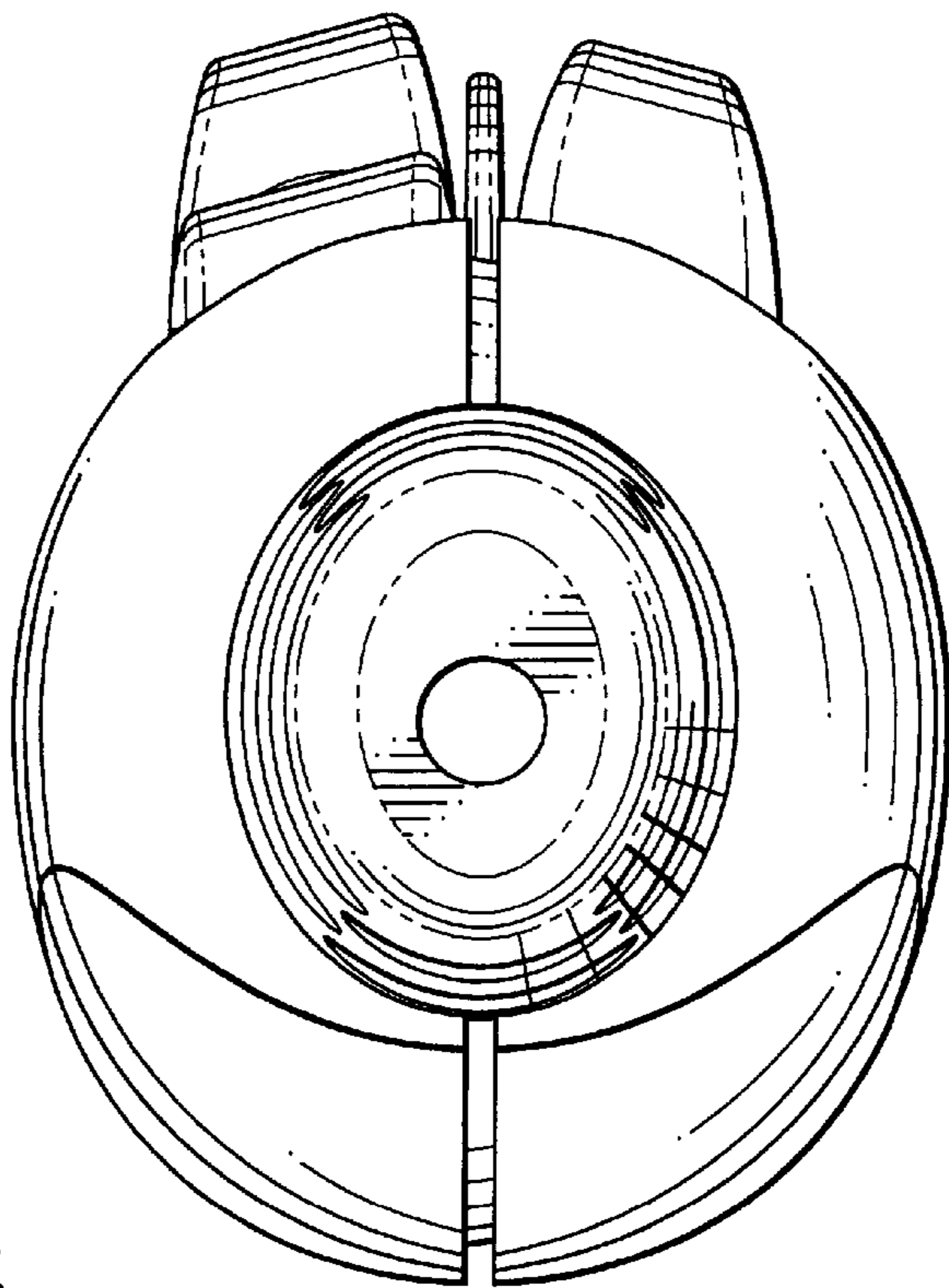


FIG. 5

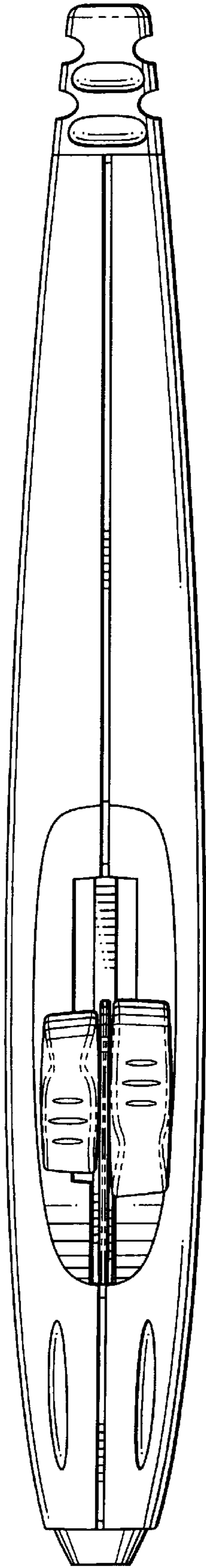


FIG. 6

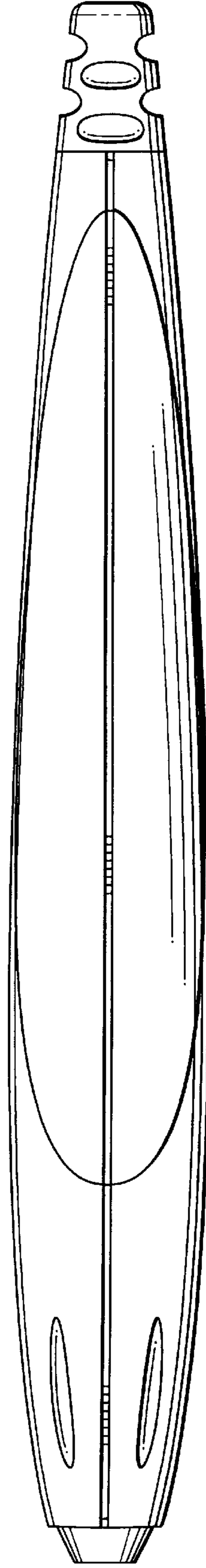


FIG. 7