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(54) **NEEDLE HOLDER**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a needle holder, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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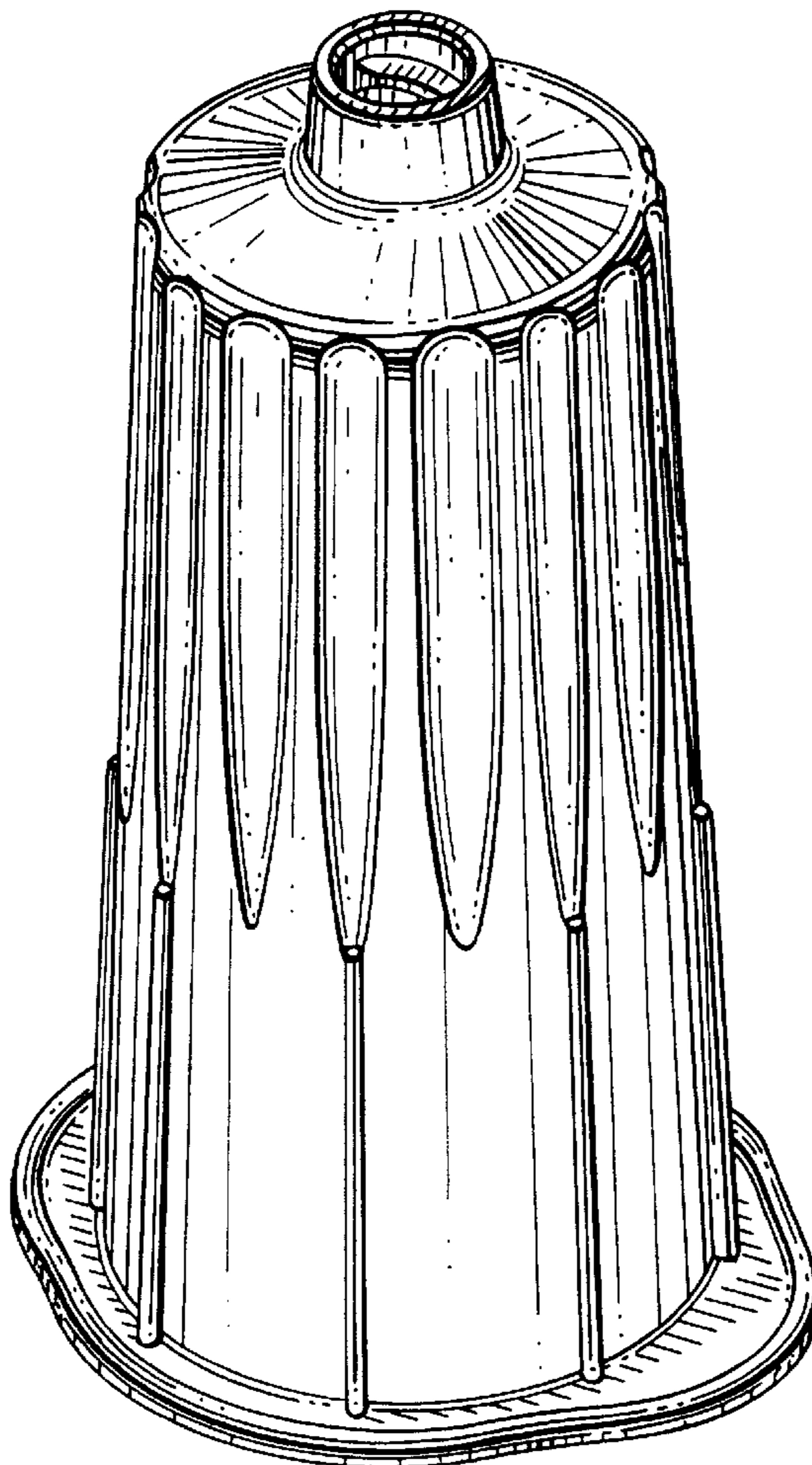
FIG. 1 is a top perspective view of the needle holder;  
FIG. 2 is a bottom perspective view of the needle holder of  
FIG. 1;  
FIG. 3 is a top plan view of the needle holder of FIG. 1;  
FIG. 4 is a right side elevational view of the needle holder  
needle of FIG. 1;  
FIG. 5 is a left side elevational view of the needle holder  
needle of FIG. 1; and,  
FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view of the needle holder of FIG. 1.

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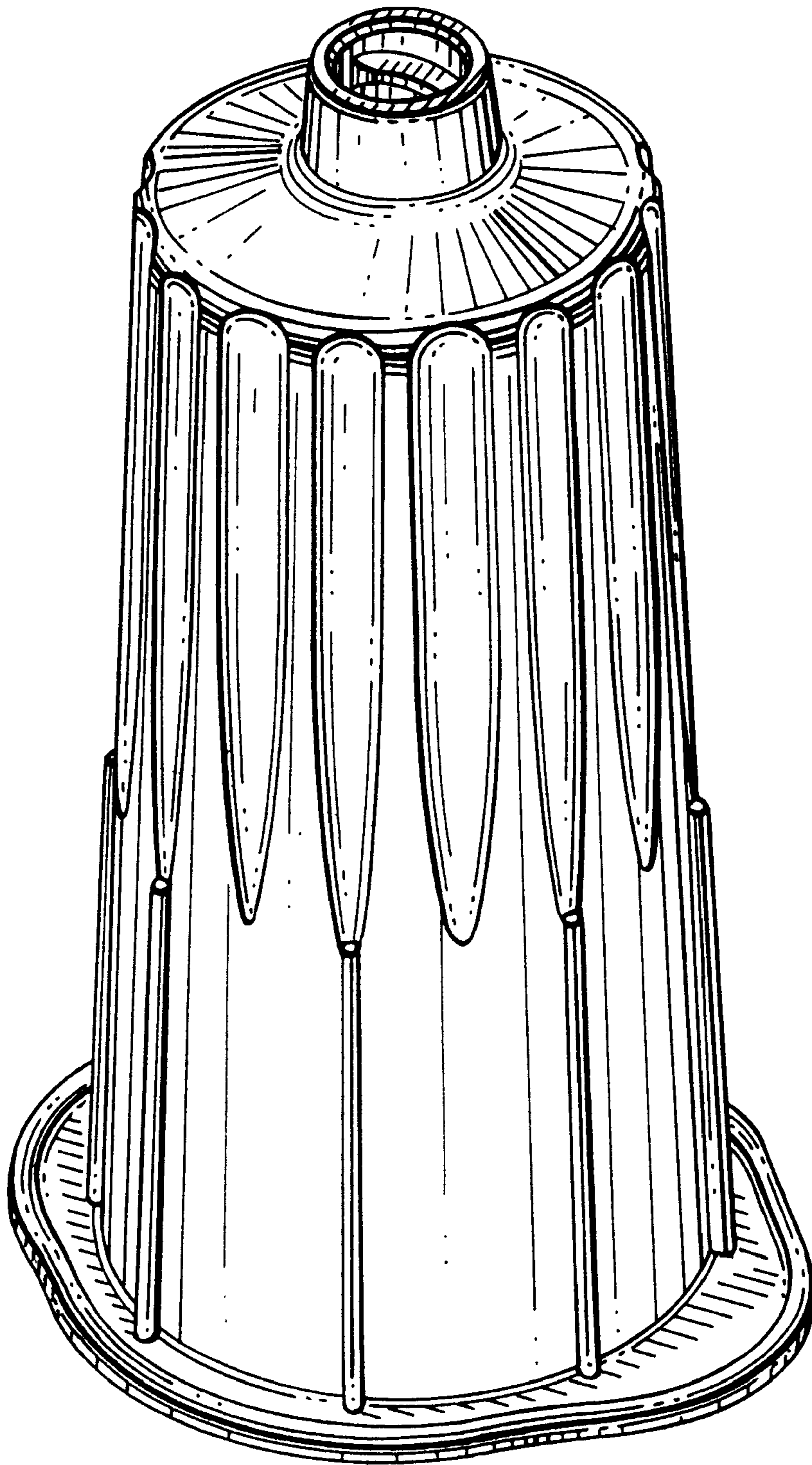


FIG. 1

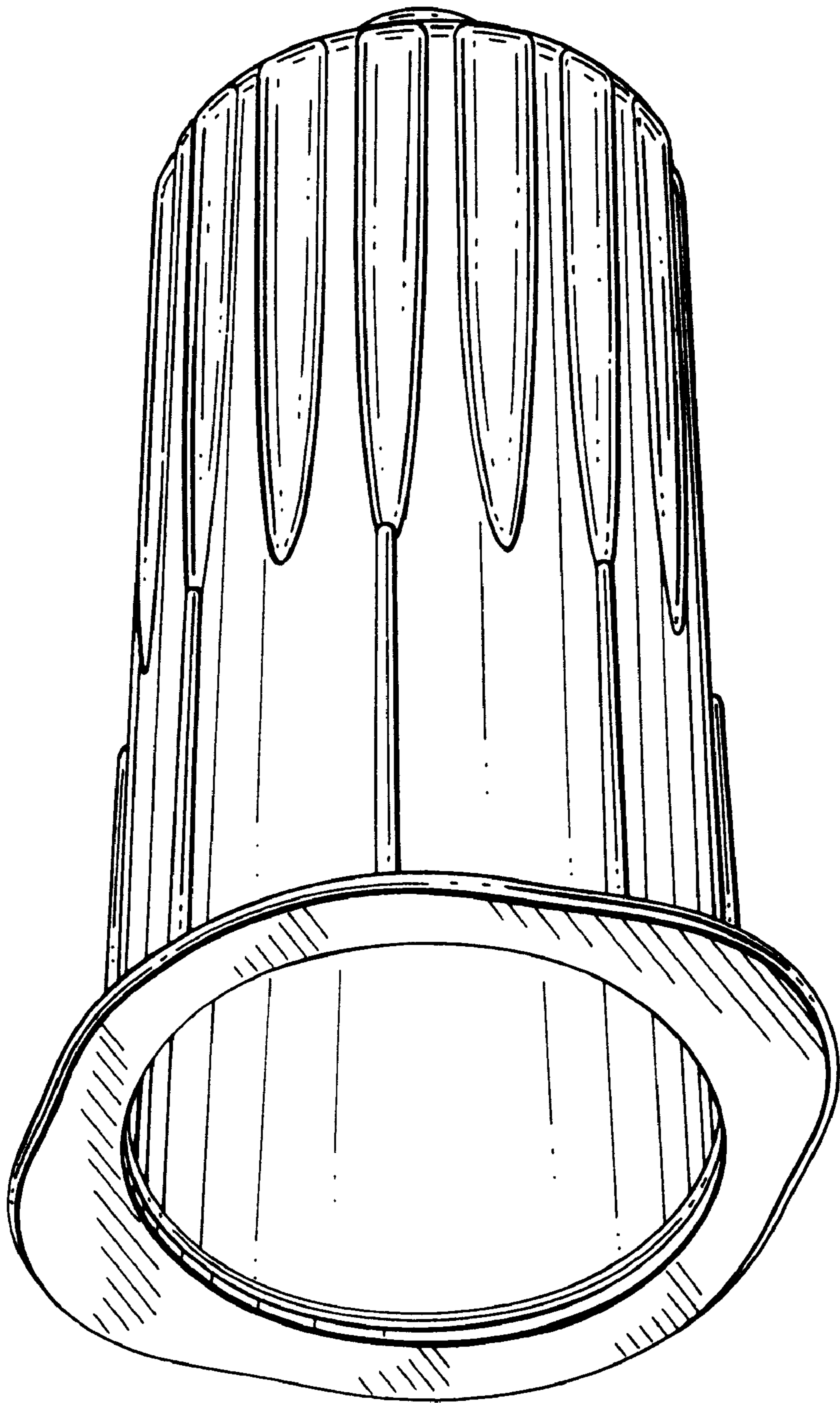


FIG. 2

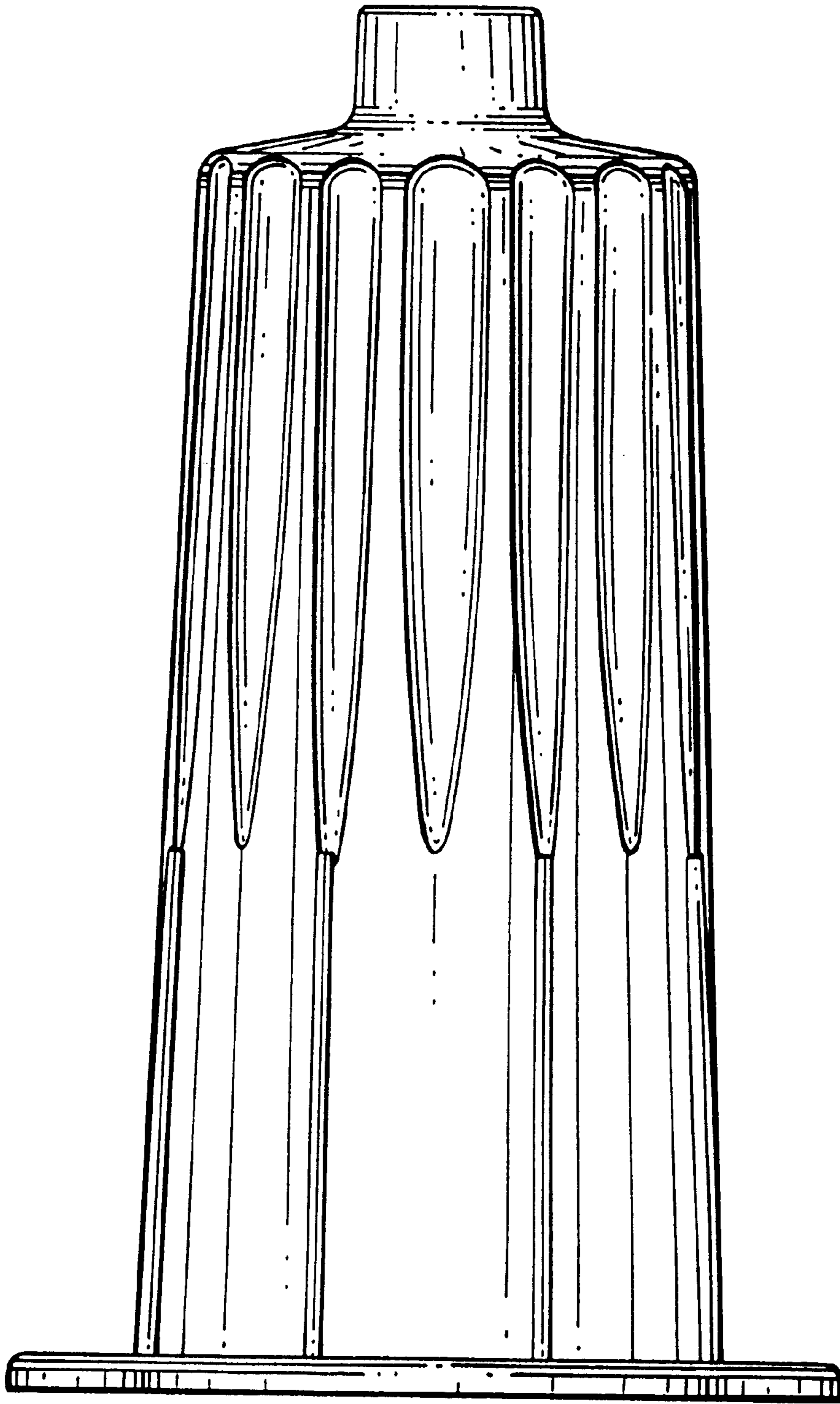


FIG. 3

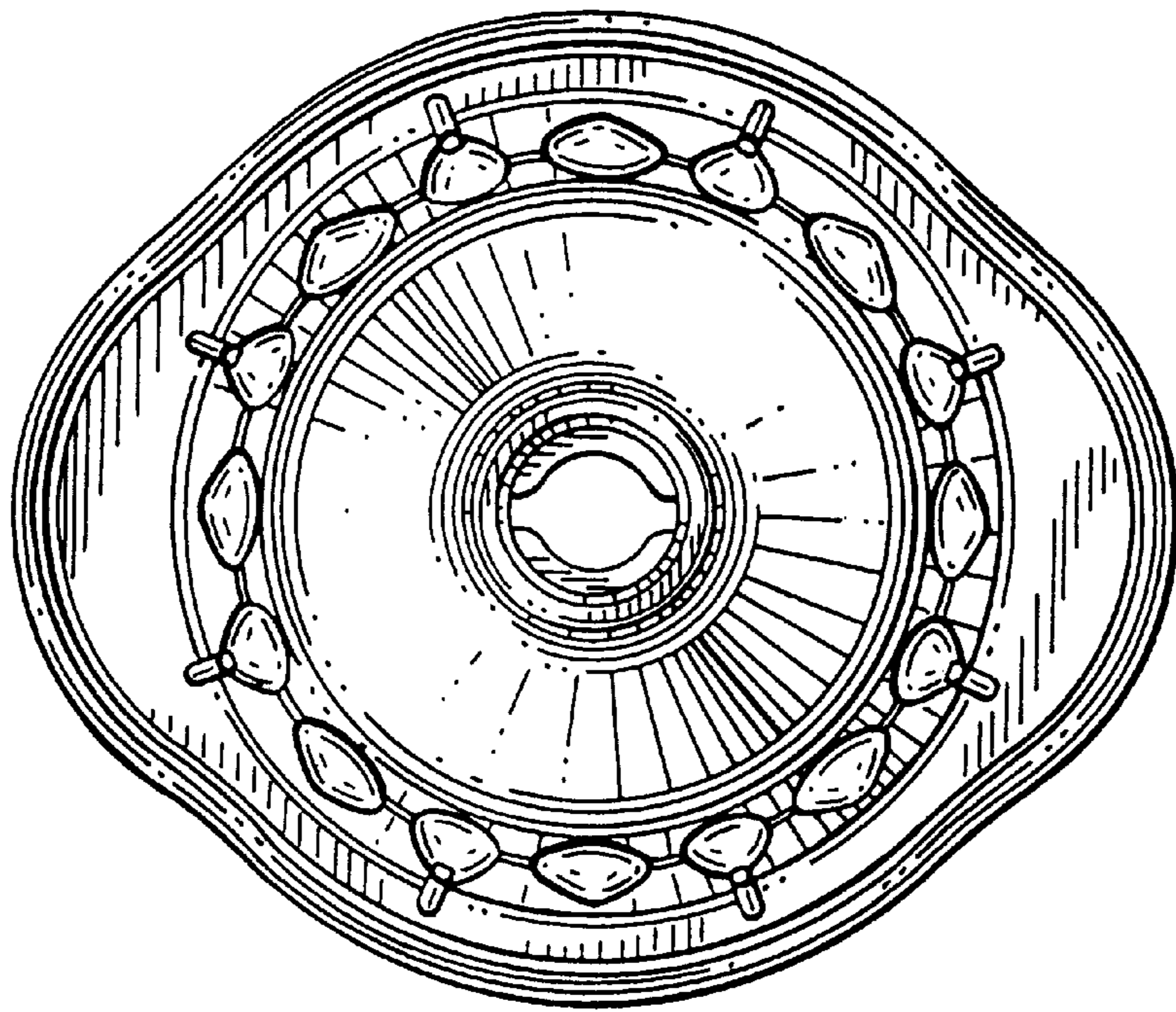


FIG. 4

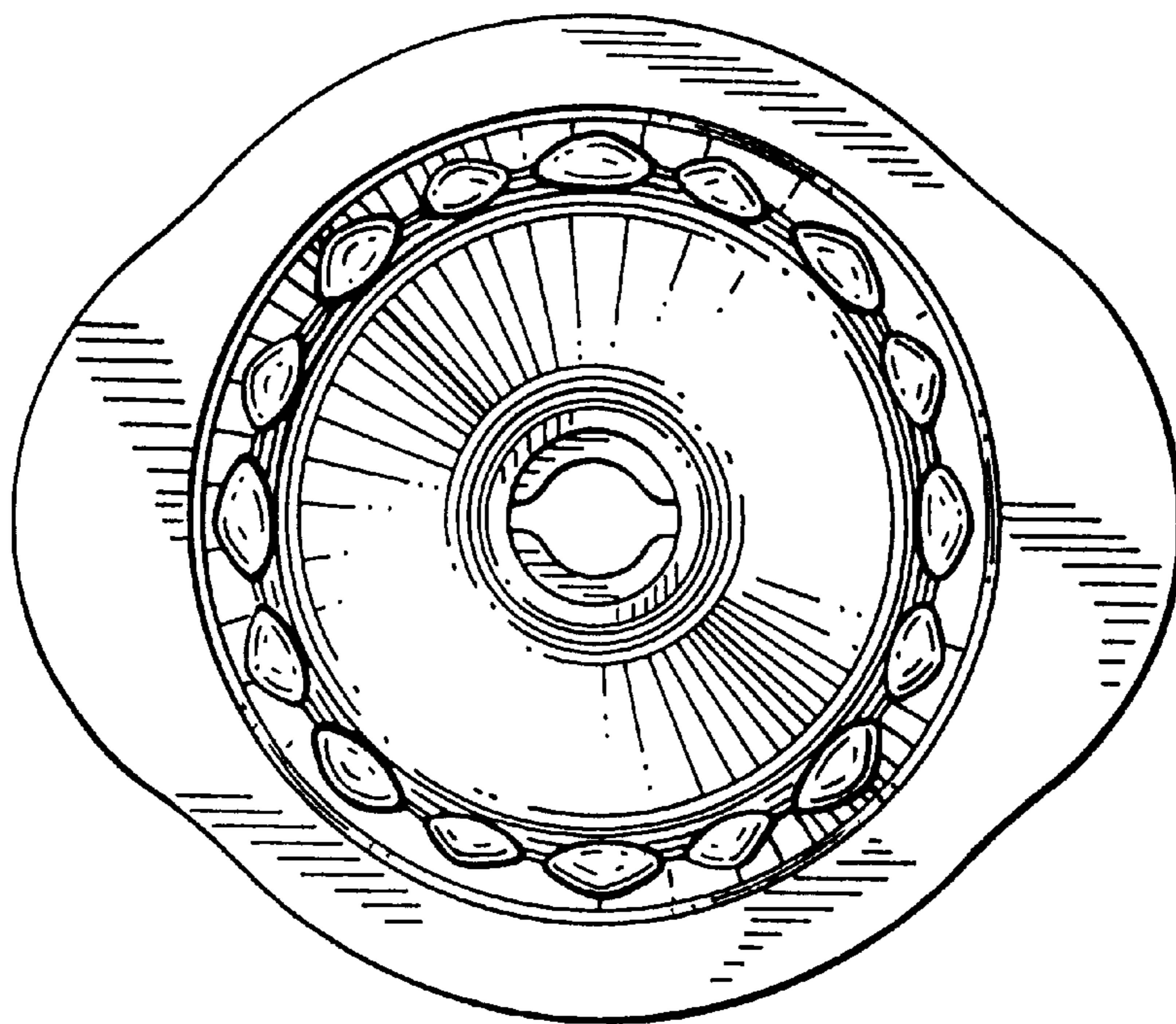


FIG. 6

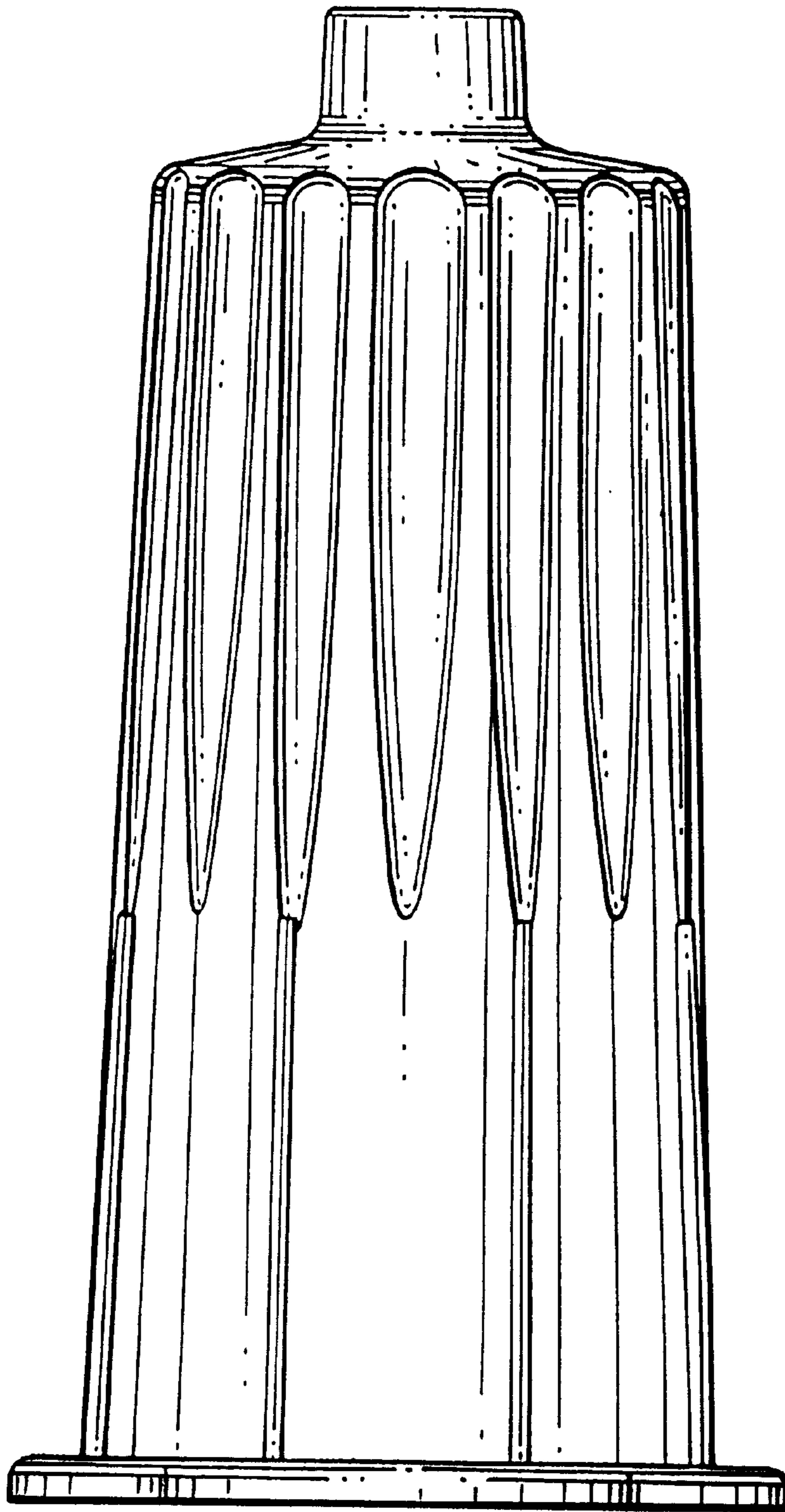


FIG. 5