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(54) **QUICK-CONNECT MECHANISM**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for the quick-connect mechanism, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a quick-connect mechanism

showing the collar and shank of the design in connected arrangement (with an attachable handle shown in phantom lines).

FIG. 2 is an end view of a quick-connect mechanism showing the collar end.

FIG. 3 is an end view of a quick-connect mechanism showing the shank end of the design.

FIG. 4 is a top view of the design.

FIG. 5 is a bottom view of the design.

FIG. 6 is a side view of the design.

FIG. 7 is a pulled-apart perspective view showing the disconnected collar and shank of the design.

FIG. 8 is a pulled-apart top view showing the disconnected collar and shank of the design.

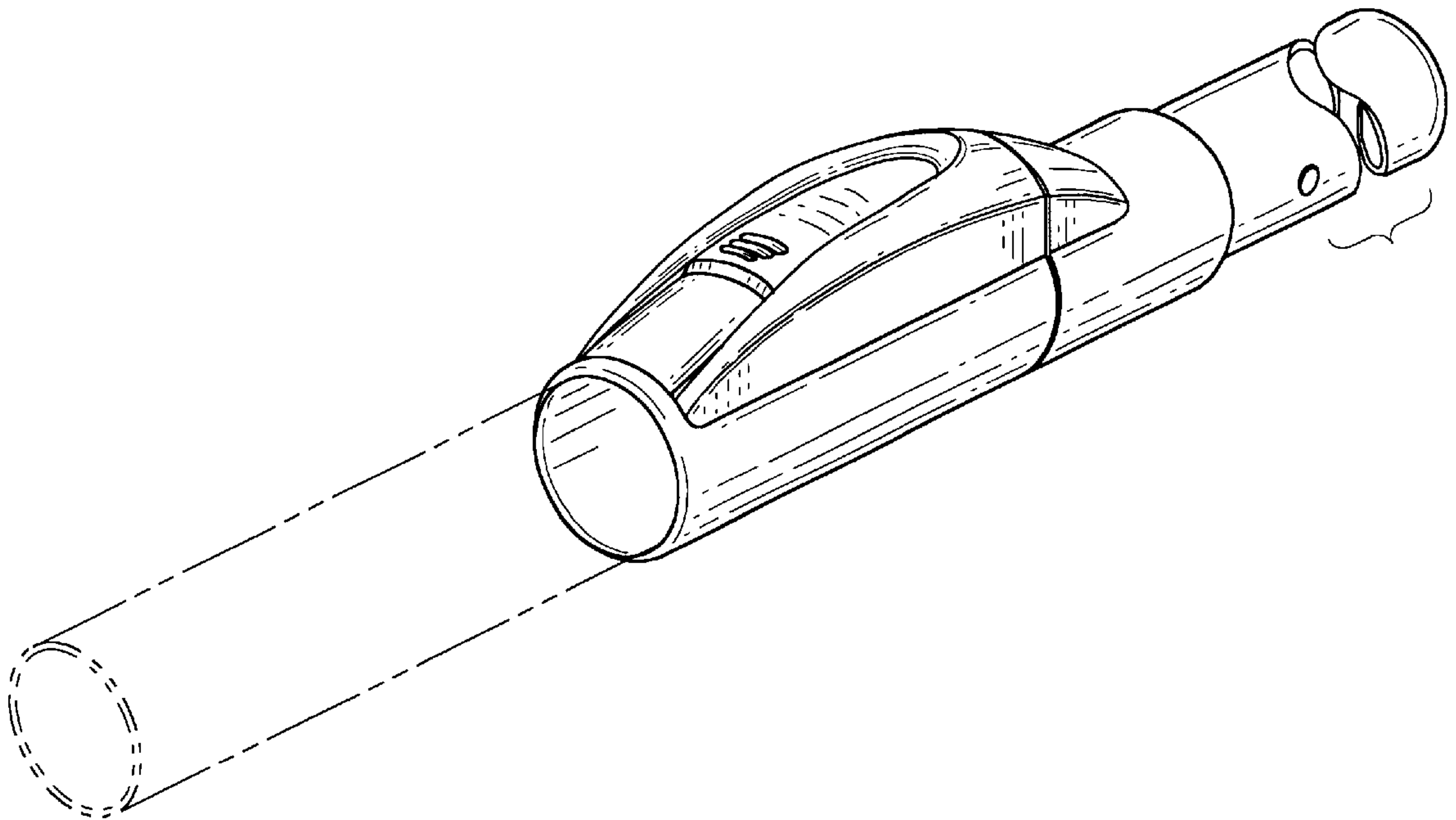
FIG. 9 is a pulled-apart bottom view showing the disconnected collar and shank of the design.

FIG. 10 is a pulled-apart side view showing the connected collar and shank of the design; and,

FIG. 11 is an opposing perspective exploded view of the design.

The shank end of the device is shown broken away in FIGS. 1 and 4-11 to depict indeterminate length and the portion of a handle shown in broken lines is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets



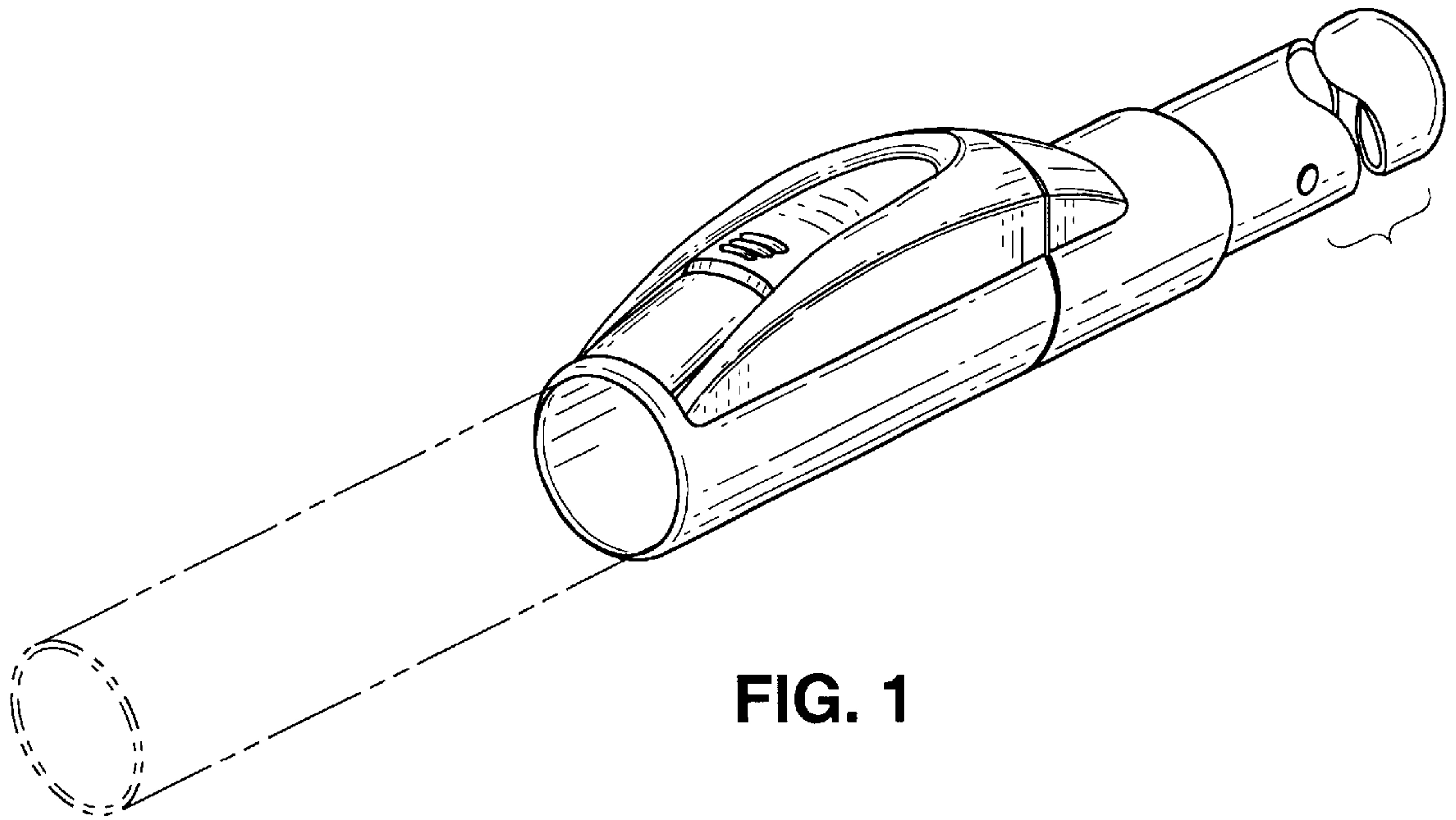


FIG. 1

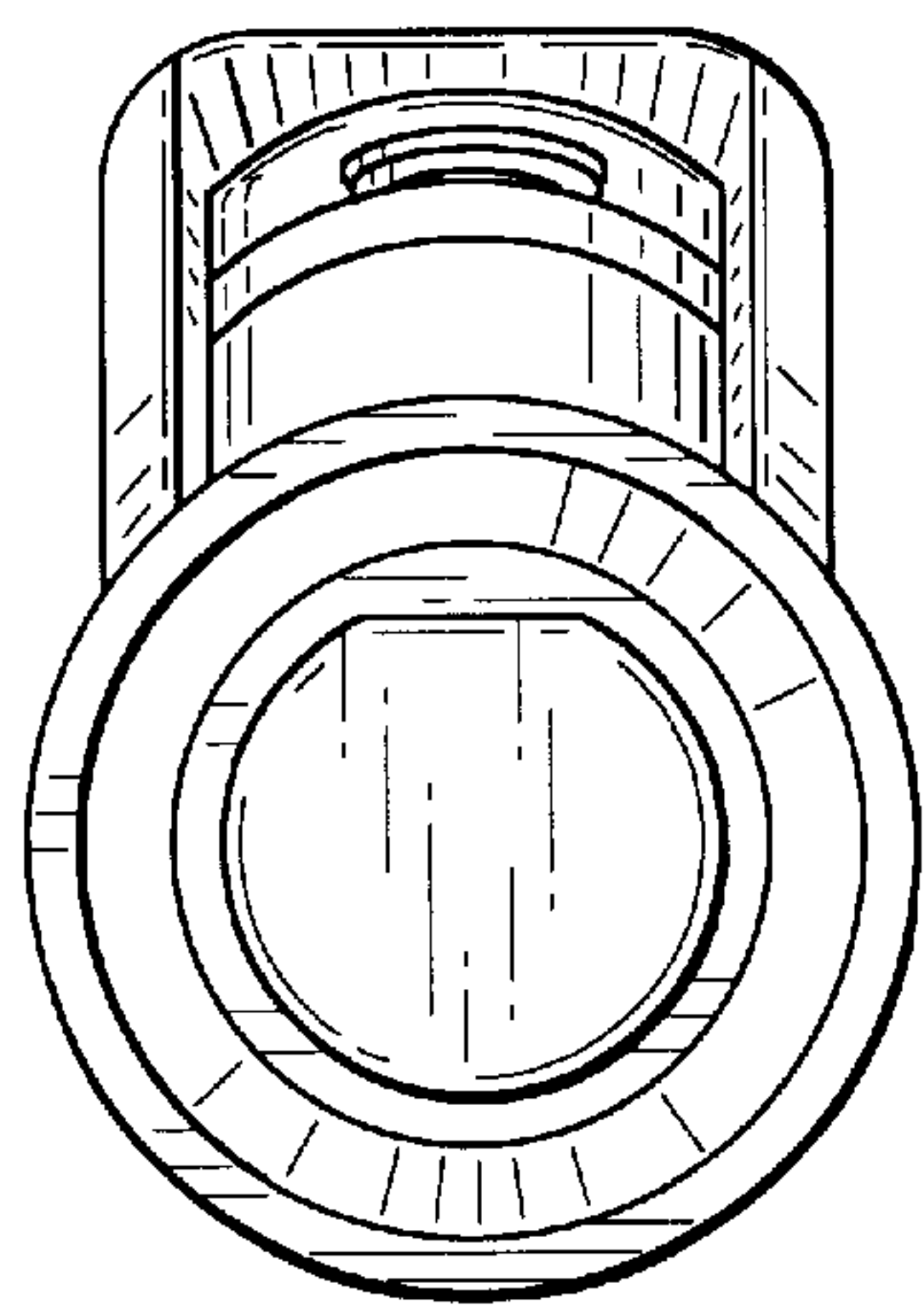


FIG. 2

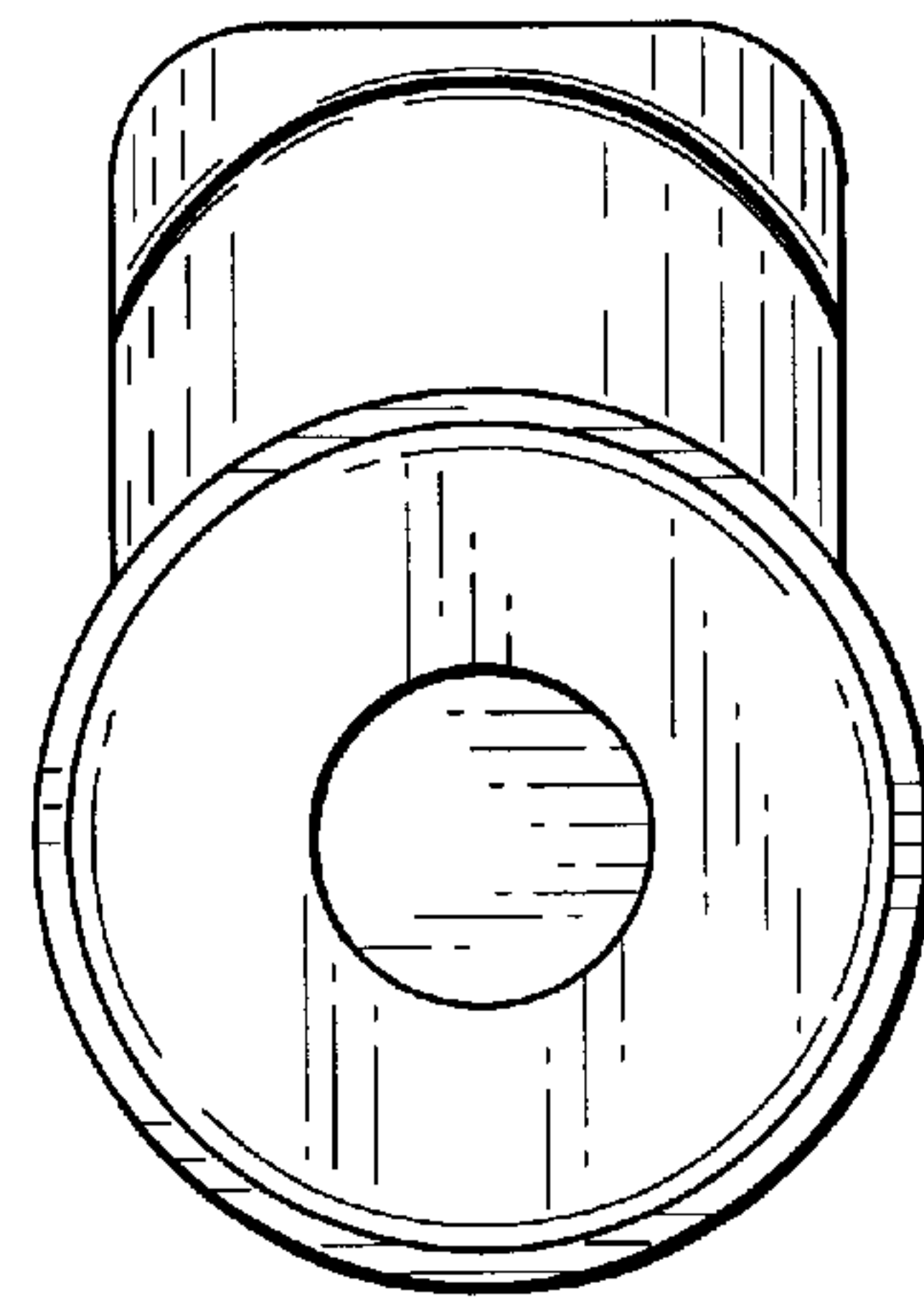


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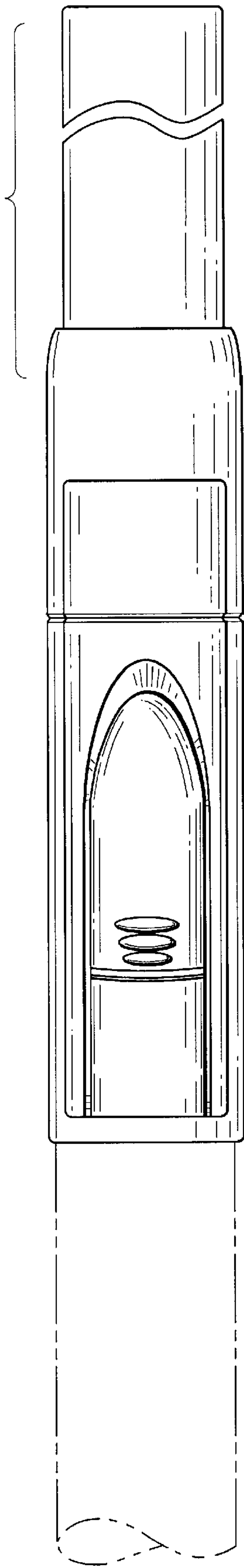


FIG. 4

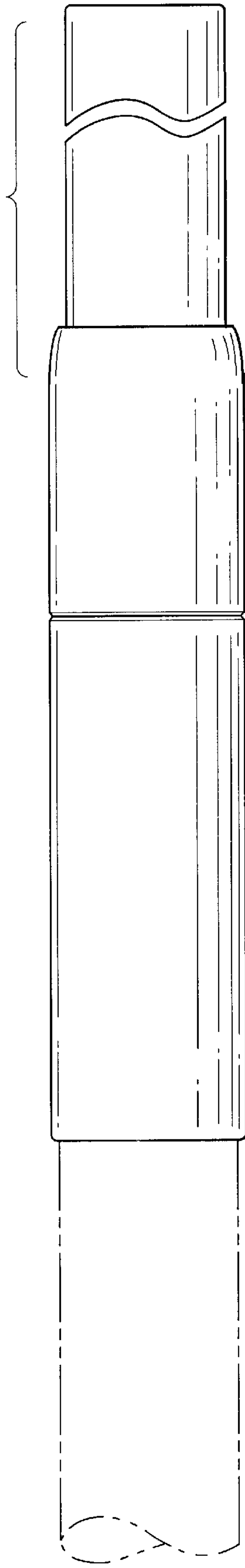


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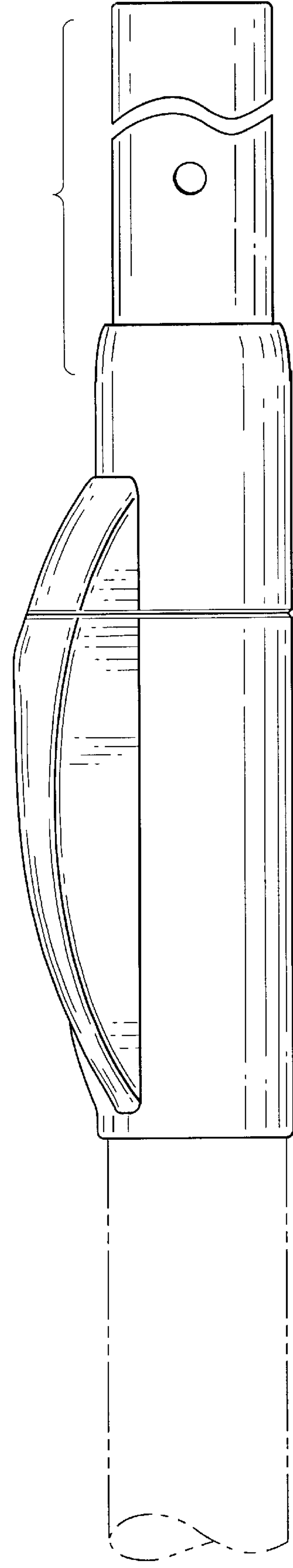


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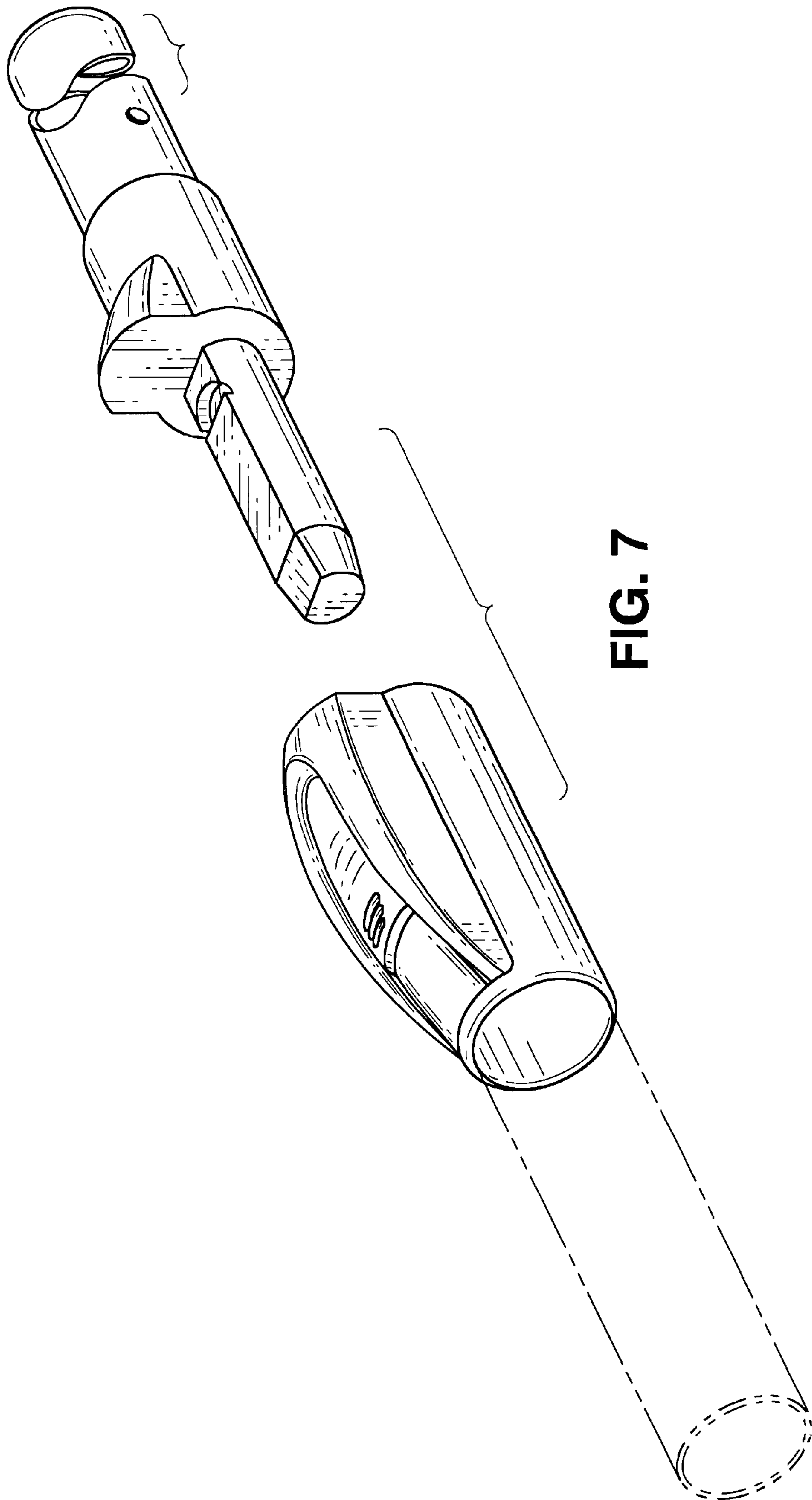


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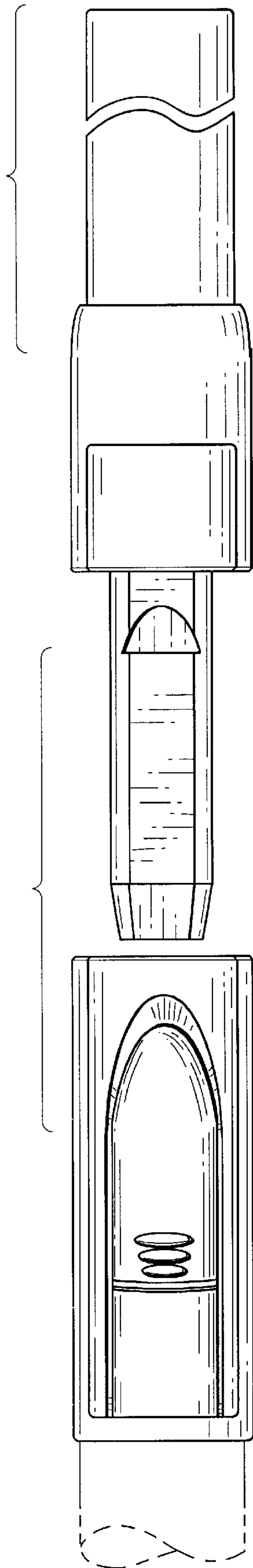


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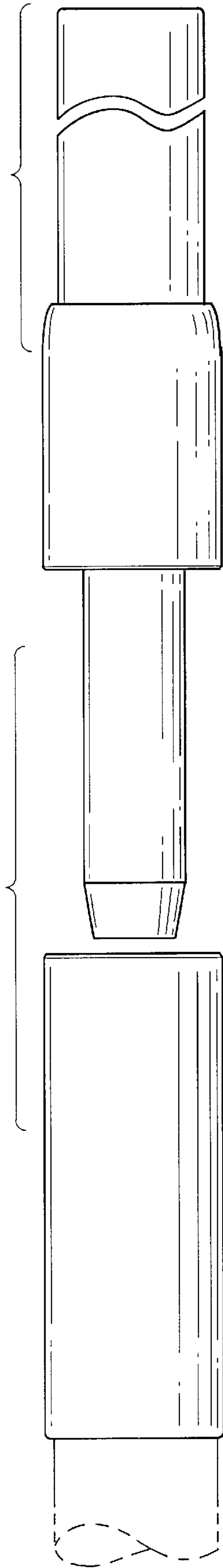


FIG. 9

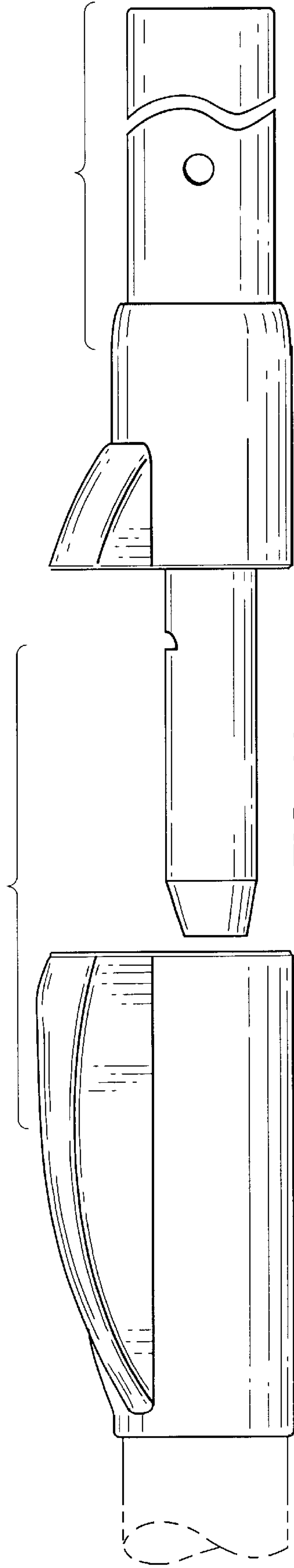


FIG. 10

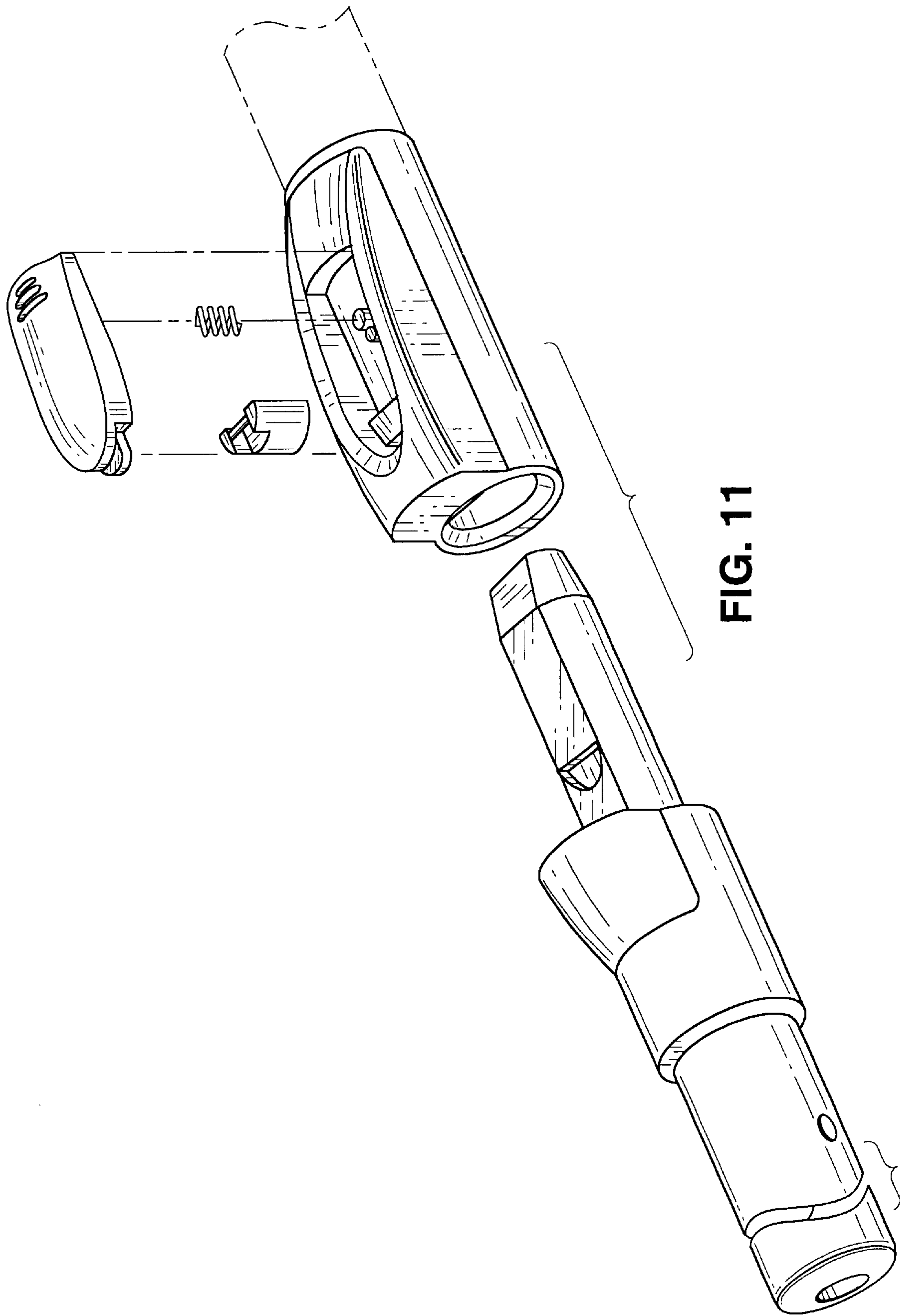


FIG. 11