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(57) **CLAIM**

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

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a bottom-right perspective view of an ornamental design for a writing instrument according to the present invention;

FIG. 2 is a left-side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a right-side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a front plan view thereof;

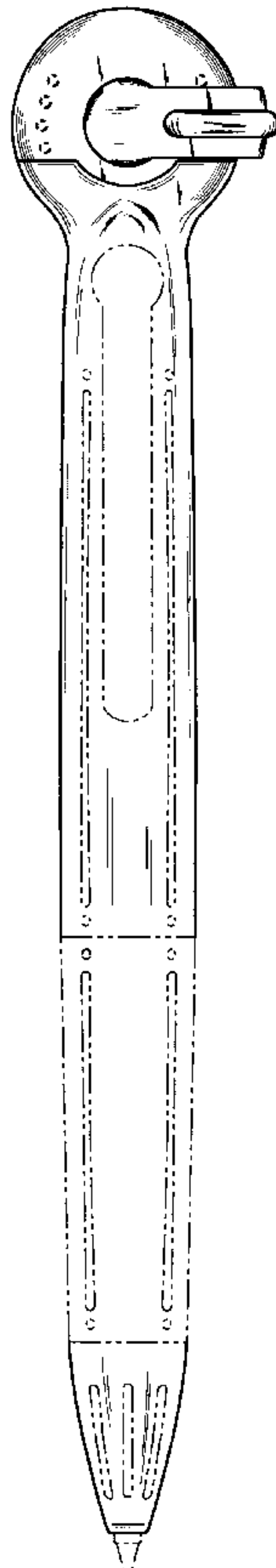
FIG. 5 is a back plan view thereof;

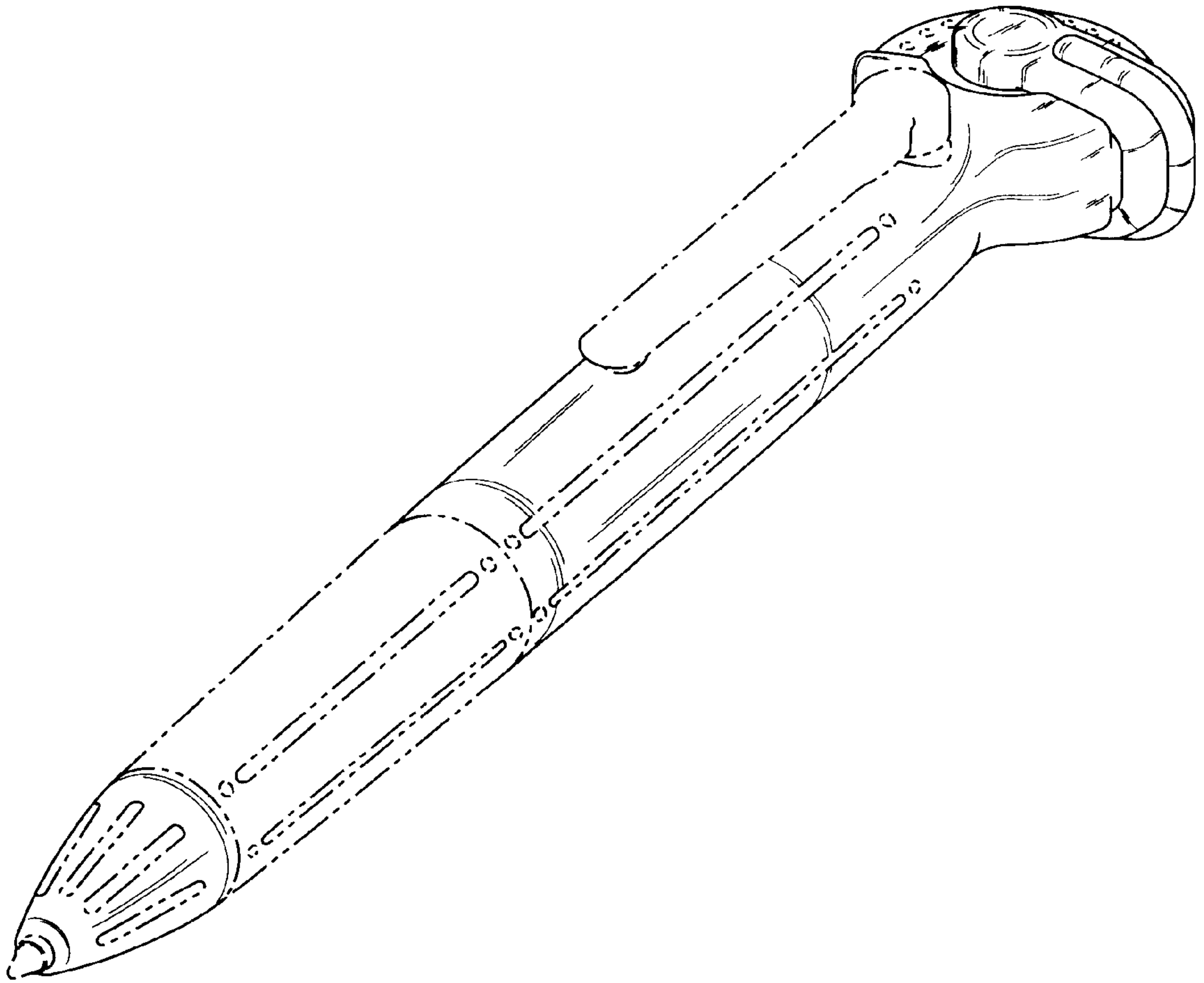
FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof; and,

FIG. 7 is a top plan view thereof.

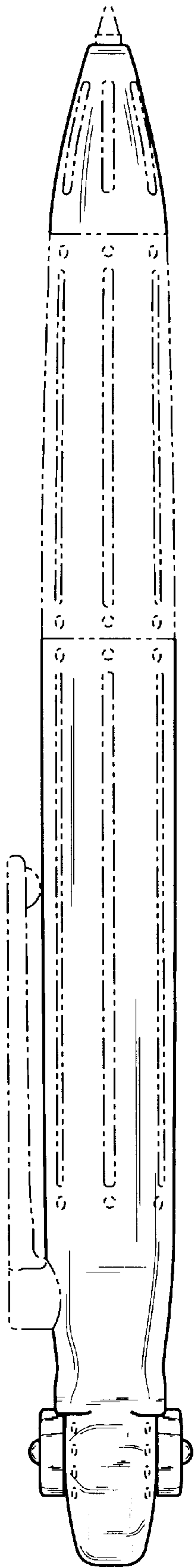
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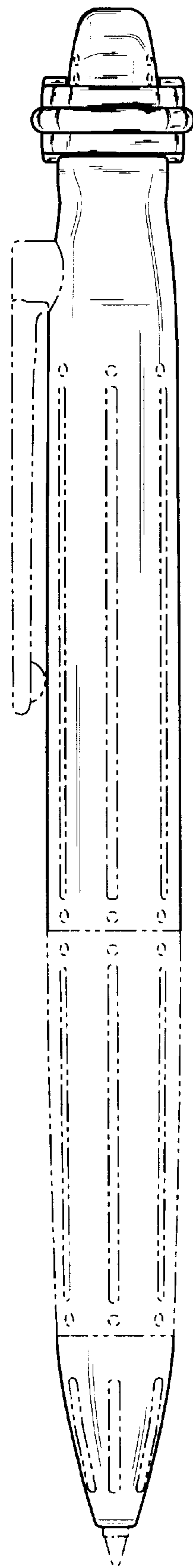




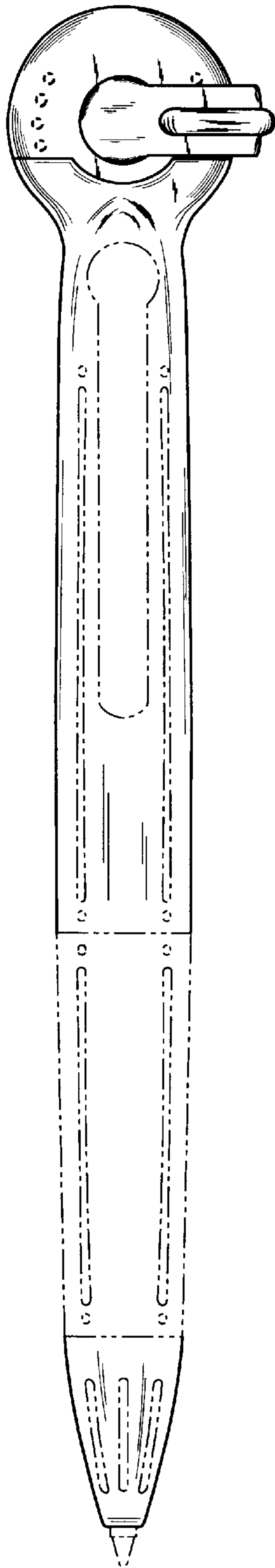
*Fig. 1*



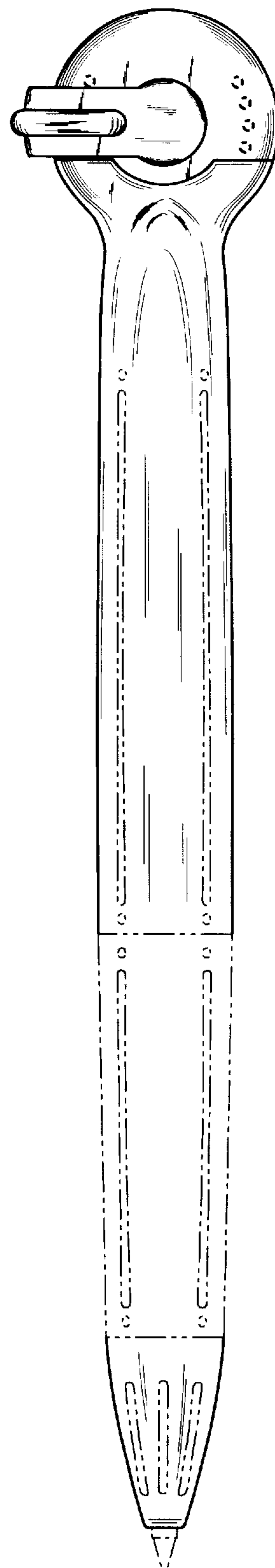
*Fig. 2*



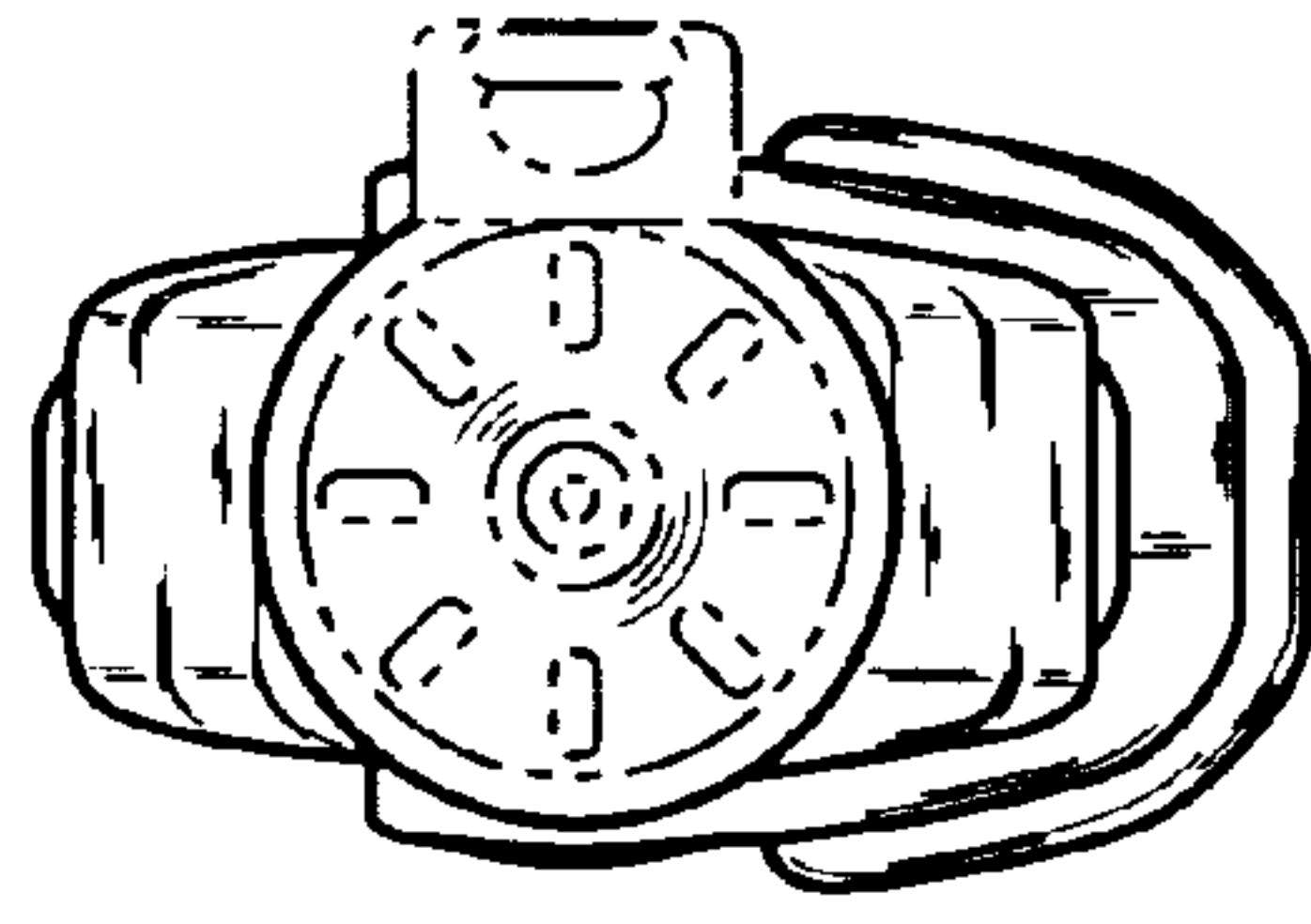
*Fig. 3*



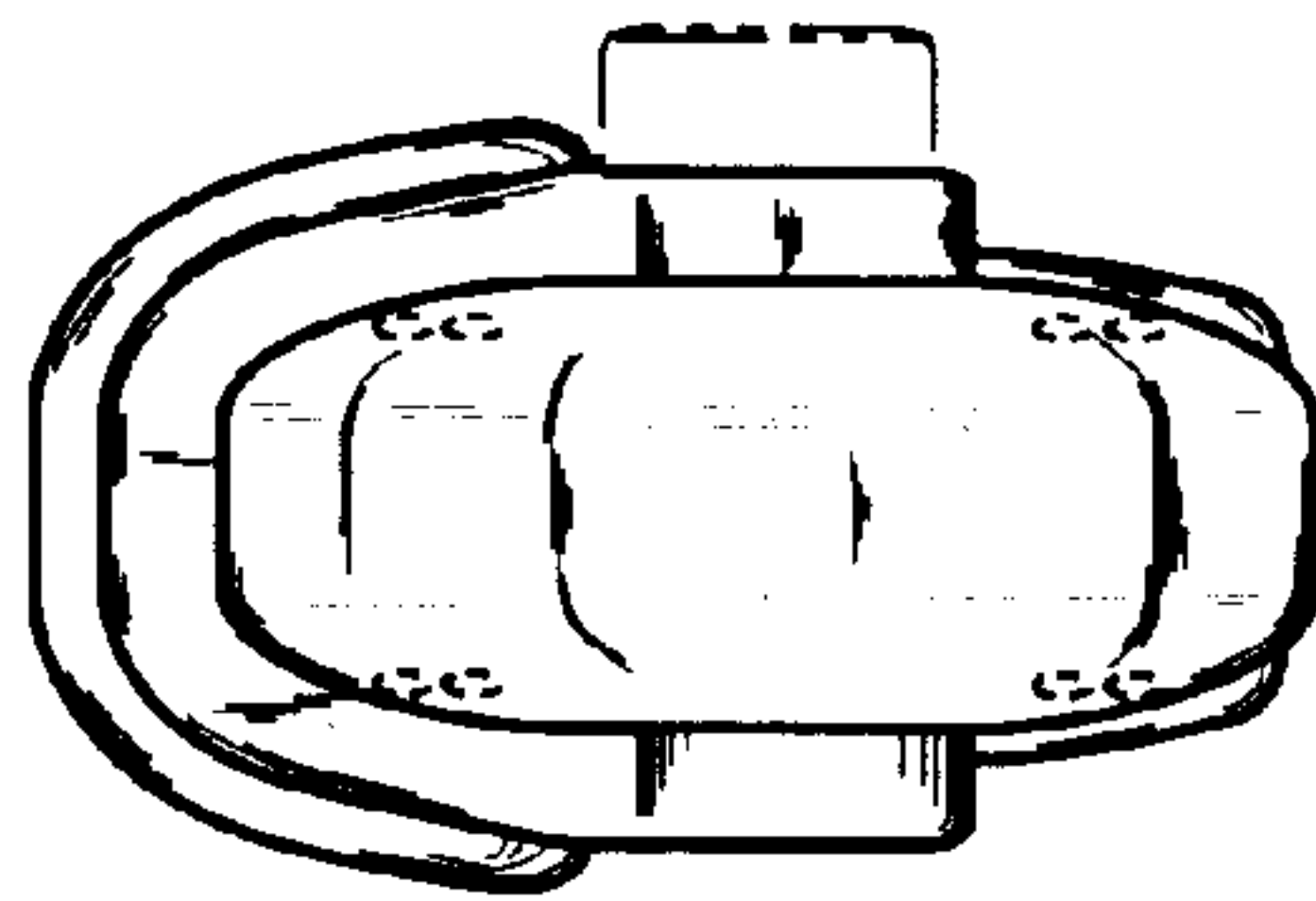
*Fig. 4*



*Fig. 5*



*Fig. 6*



*Fig. 7*