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(54) **DISPOSABLE SCALPEL**

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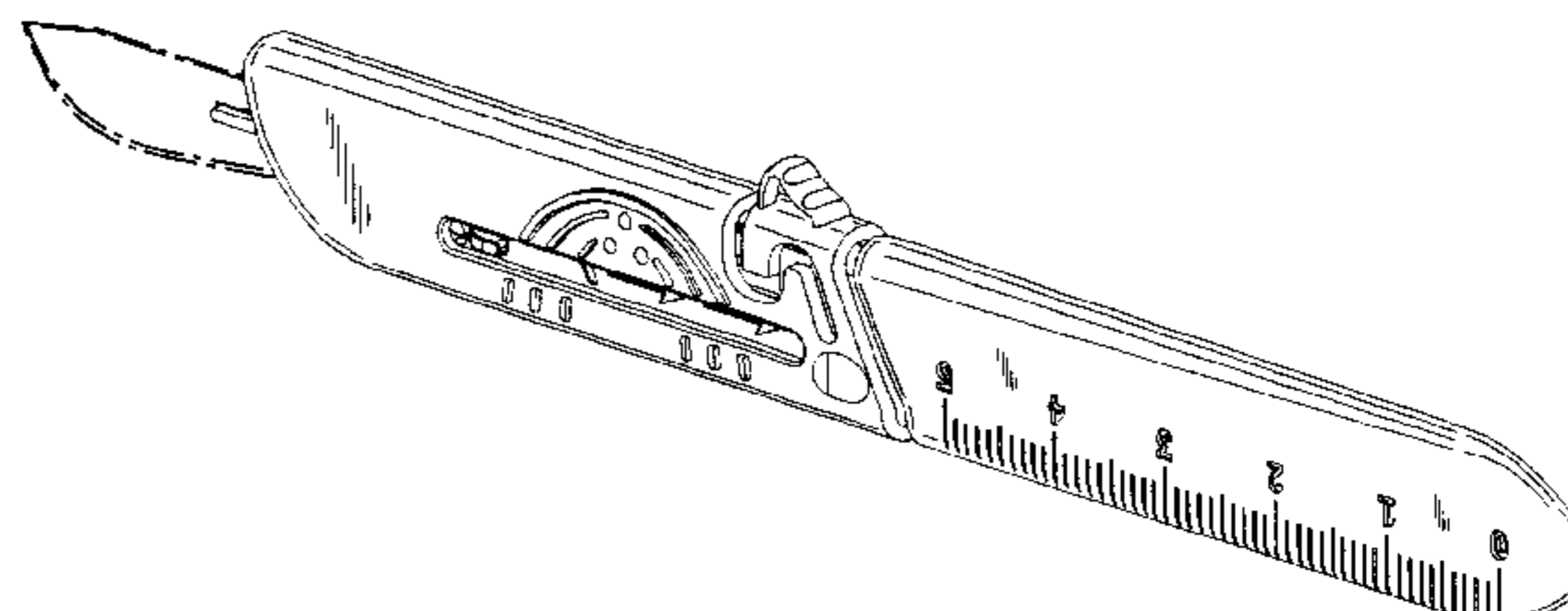
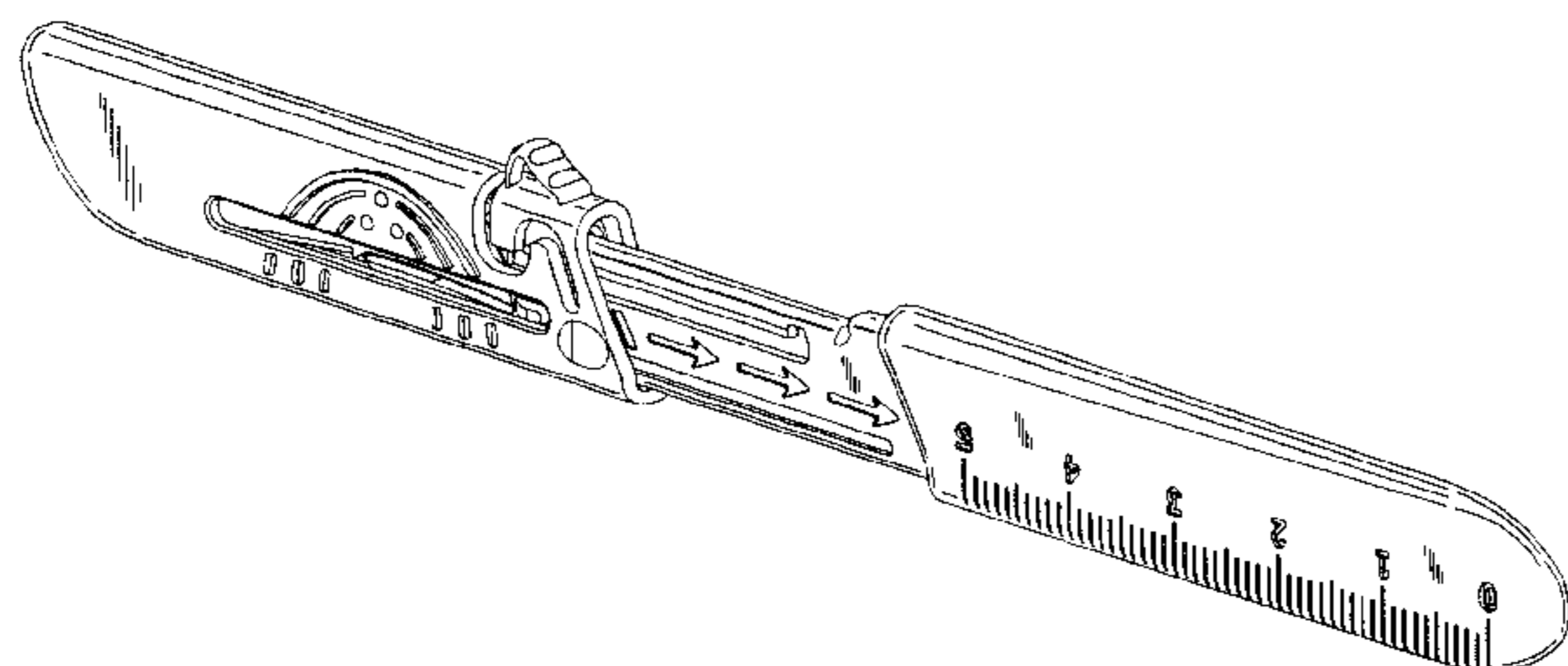
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design of a disposable scalpel, as shown.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view from a left, proximal end of the scalpel in a shielded position;
 FIG. 2 is a perspective view from a right, proximal end of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in a shielded position;
 FIG. 3 is a top elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in a shielded position;
 FIG. 4 is a right side elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in a shielded position;
 FIG. 5 is a left side elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in a shielded position;
 FIG. 6 is a bottom elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in a shielded position;
 FIG. 7 is an end elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 as viewed from the left of FIG. 4 (shown in twice the scale of FIG. 1 for clarity's sake) in a shielded position;
 FIG. 8 is an end elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 as viewed from the right of FIG. 4 (shown in twice the scale of FIG. 1 for clarity's sake) in a shielded position;
 FIG. 9 is a perspective view from a left, proximal end of the scalpel in a unshielded position;
 FIG. 10 is a perspective view from a right, proximal end of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in a unshielded position;
 FIG. 11 is a top elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in a unshielded position;
 FIG. 12 is a right side elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in an unshielded position;
 FIG. 13 is a left side elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in an unshielded position;
 FIG. 14 is a bottom elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 in an unshielded position;
 FIG. 15 is an end elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 as viewed from the left of FIG. 4 (shown in twice the scale of FIG. 1 for clarity's sake) in an unshielded position; and,
 FIG. 16 is an end elevation view of the scalpel of FIG. 1 as viewed from the right of FIG. 4 (shown in twice the scale of FIG. 1 for clarity's sake) in an unshielded position.
 The broken line shown in FIGS. 9 through 15 of the scalpel blade is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed invention.

1 Claim, 10 Drawing Sheets



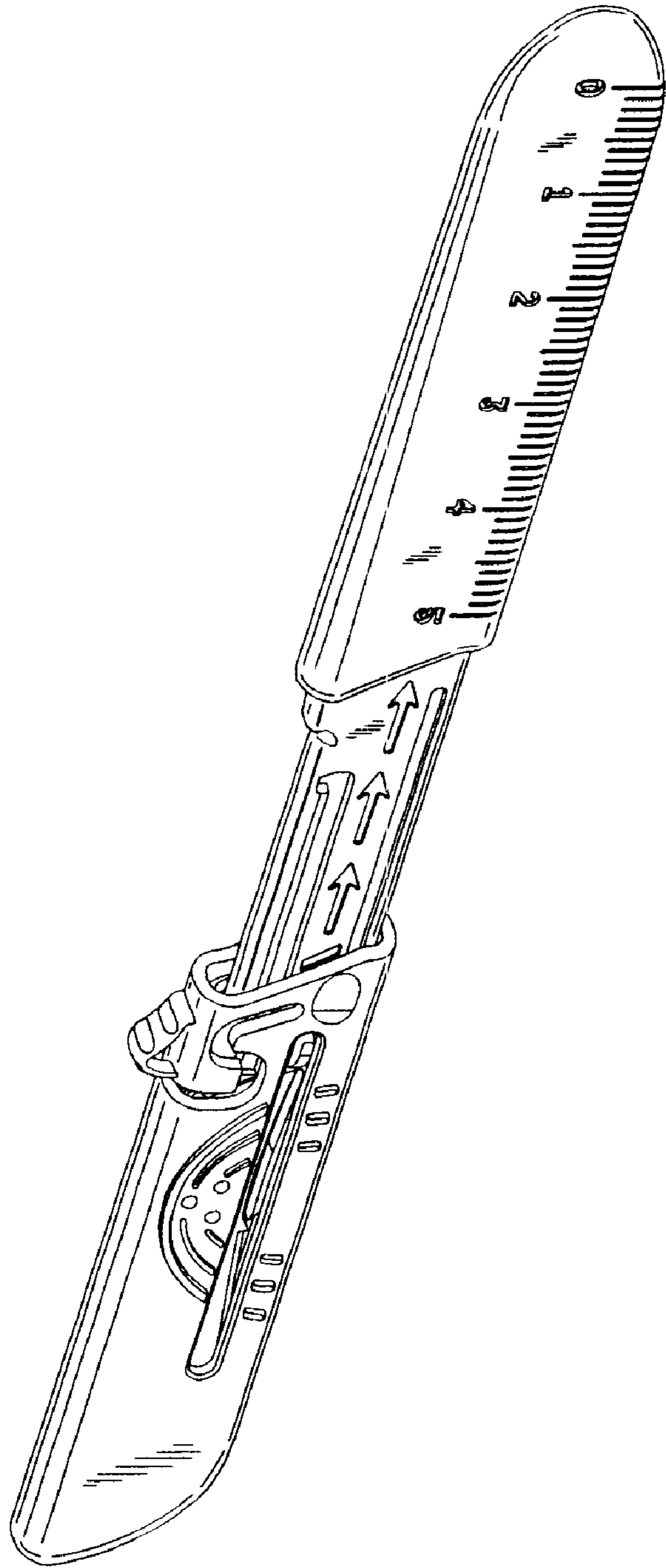


FIG. 1

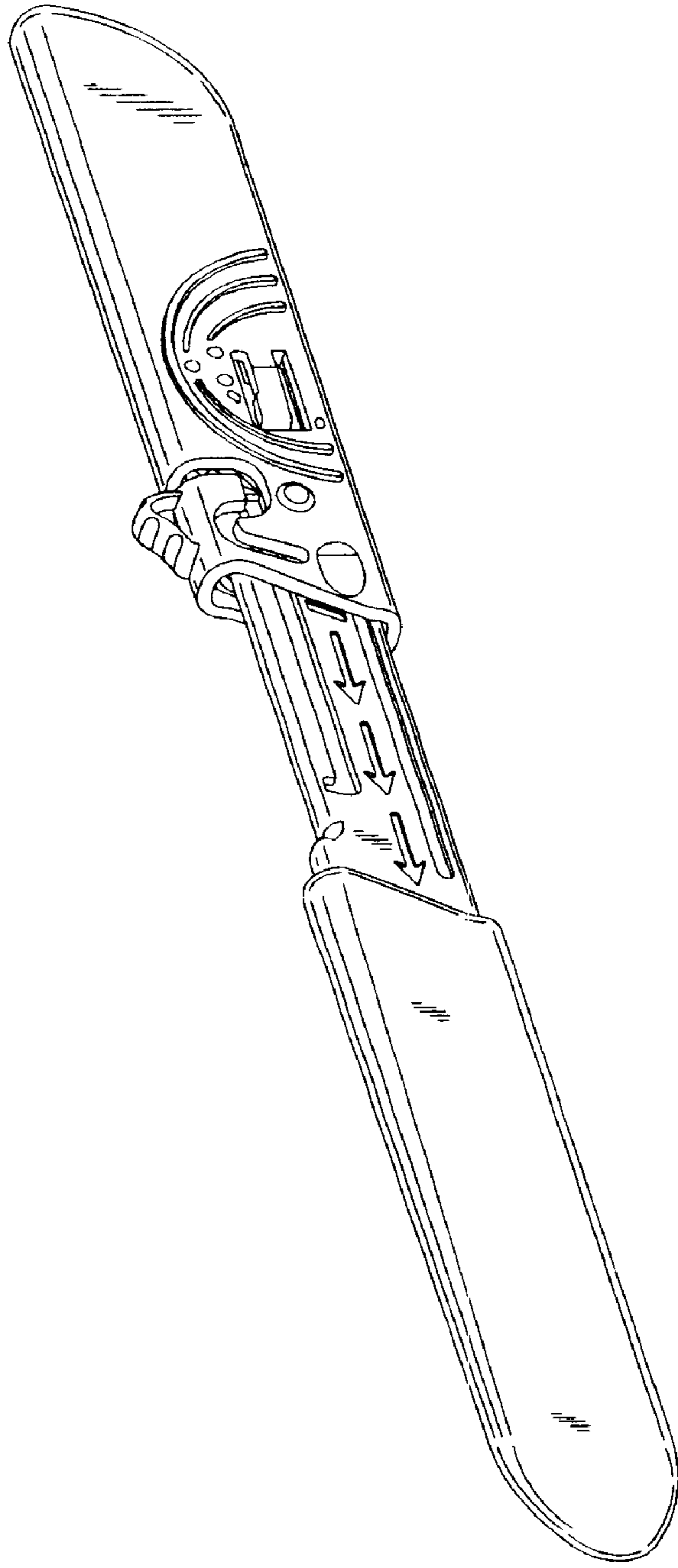


FIG. 2

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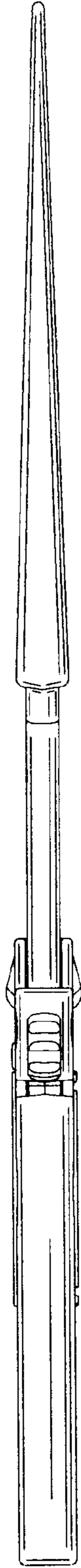


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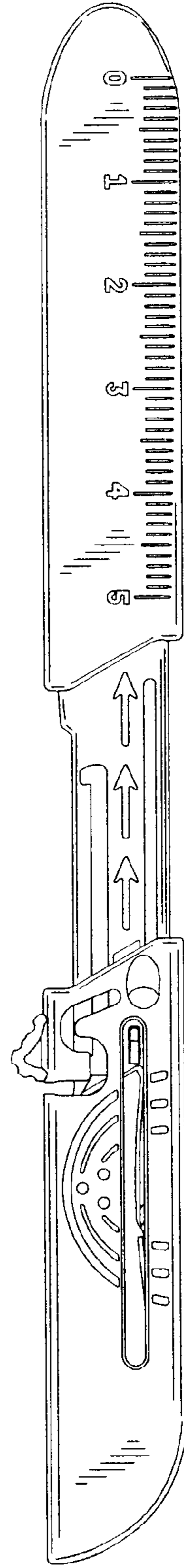


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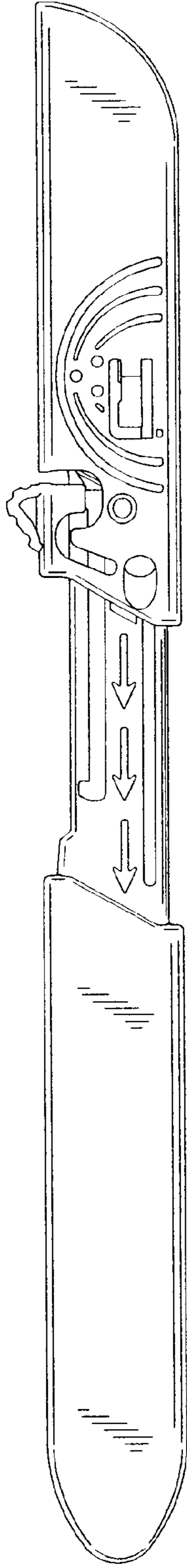


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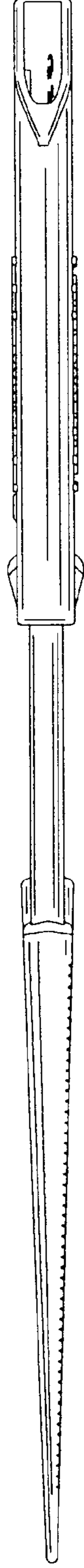


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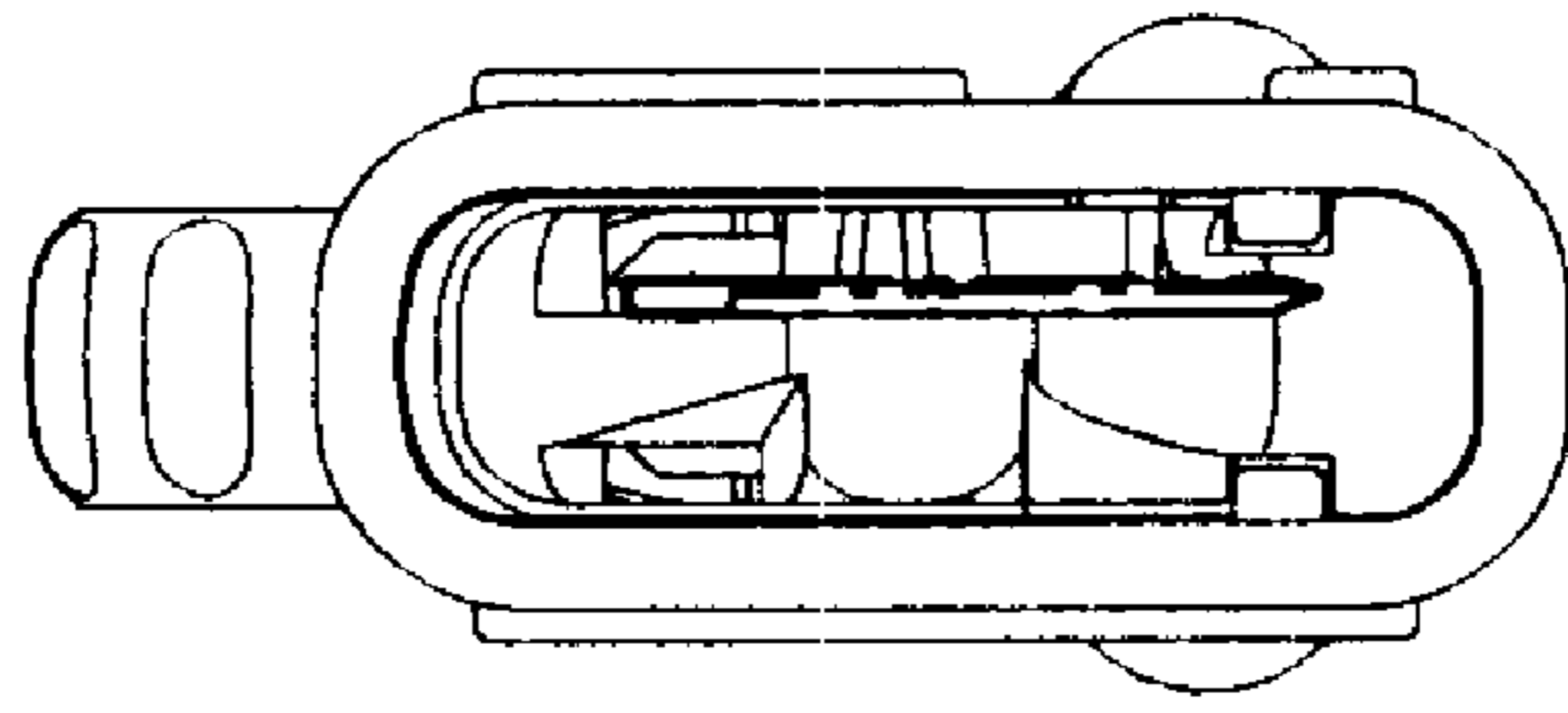
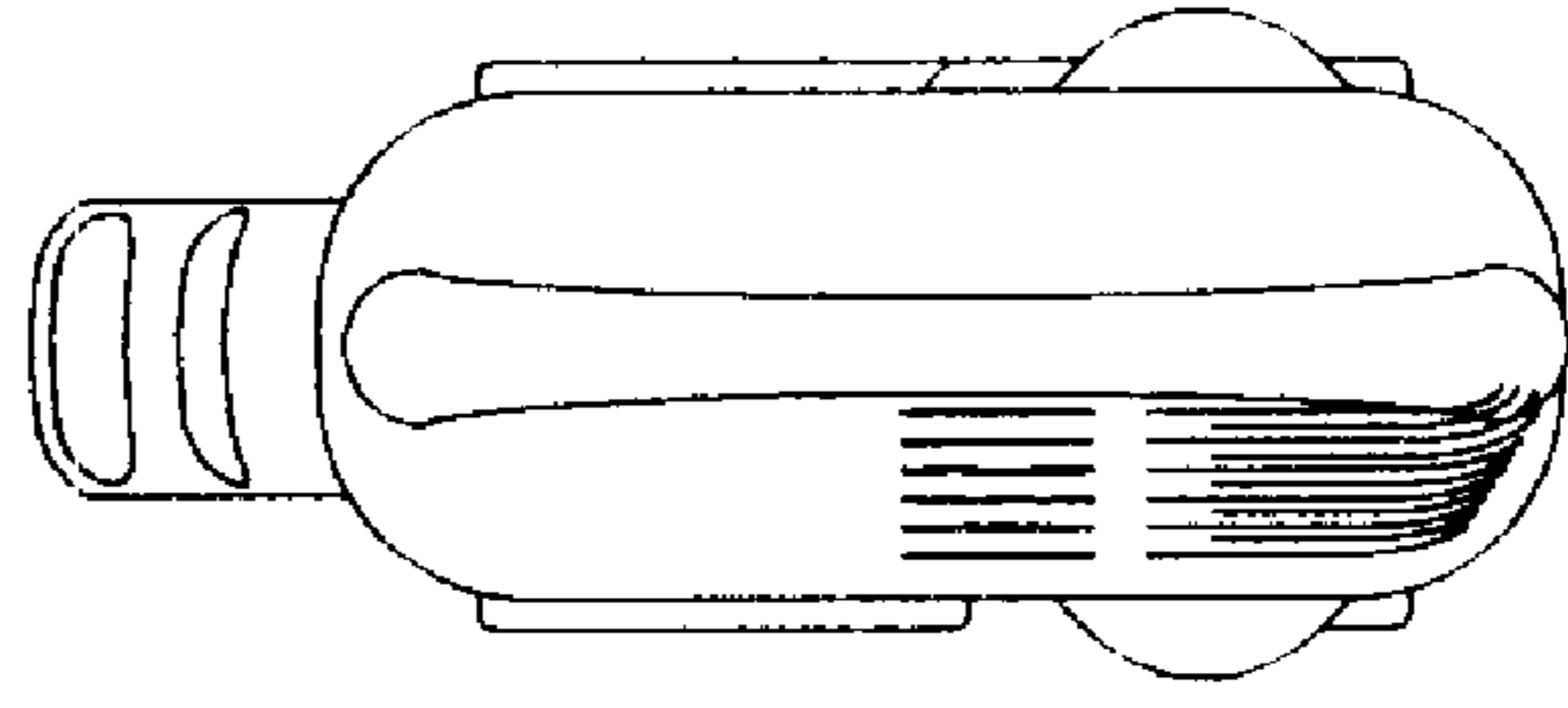


FIG. 8



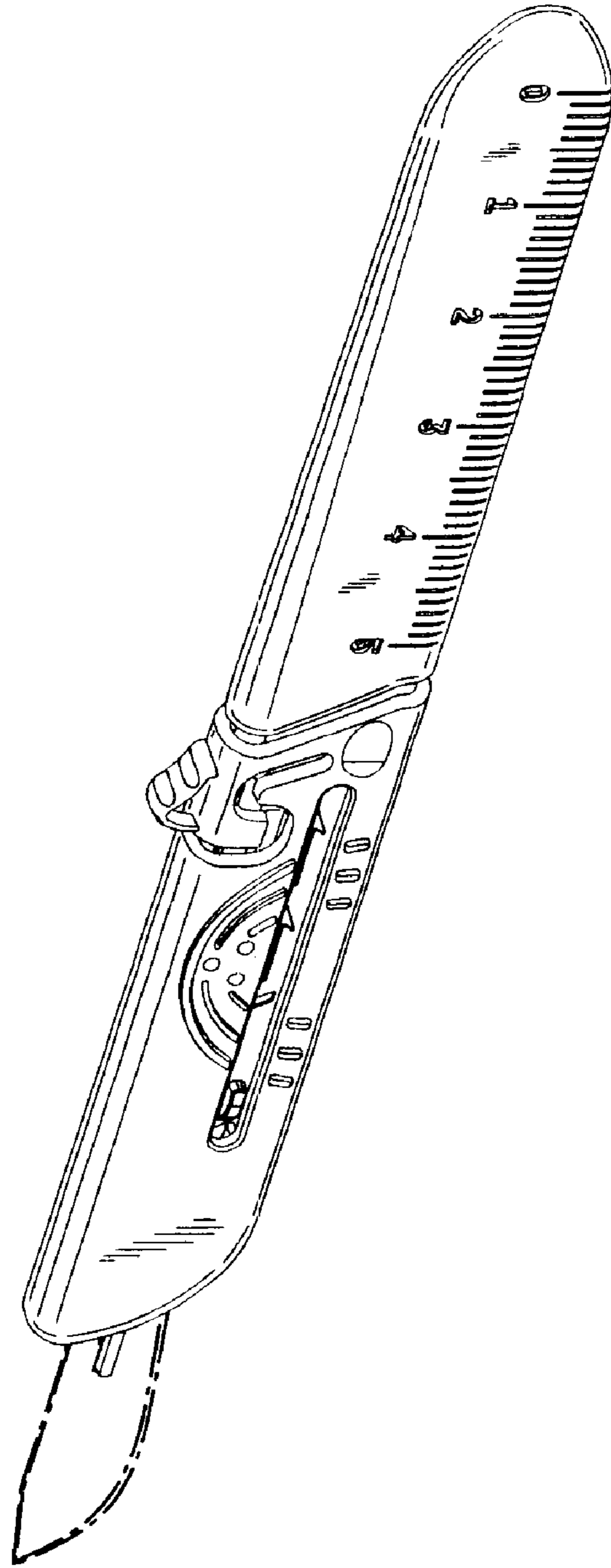


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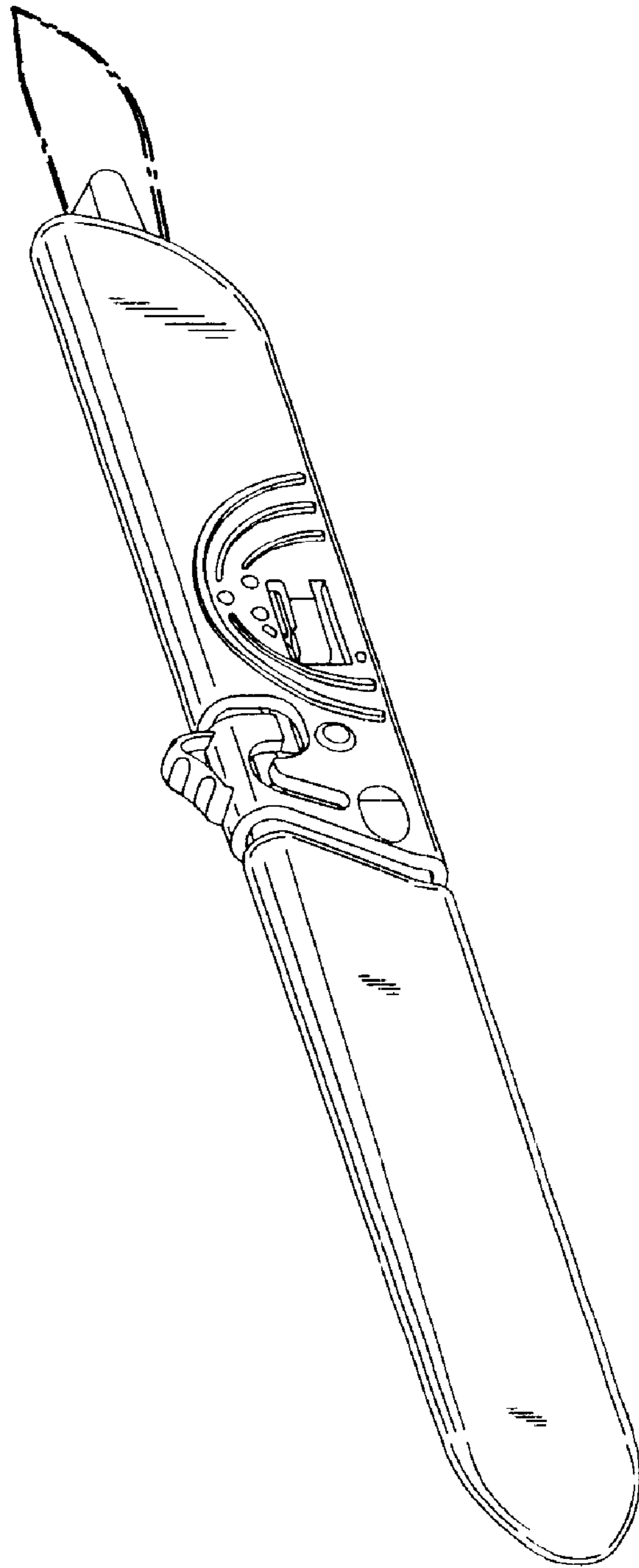


FIG. 10

FIG. 11

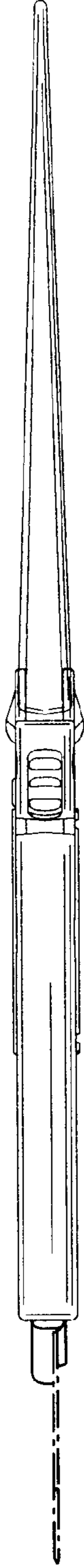


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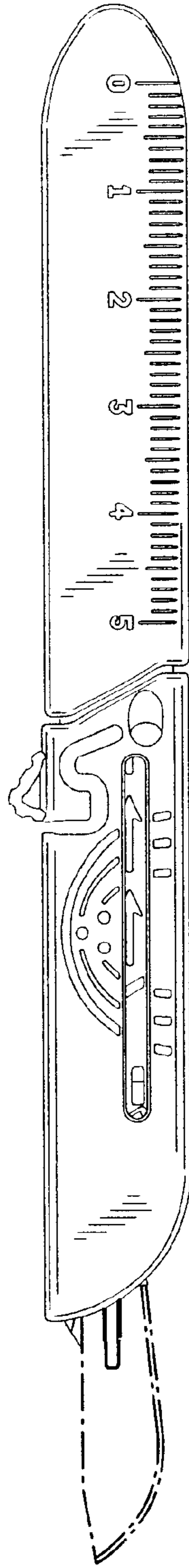


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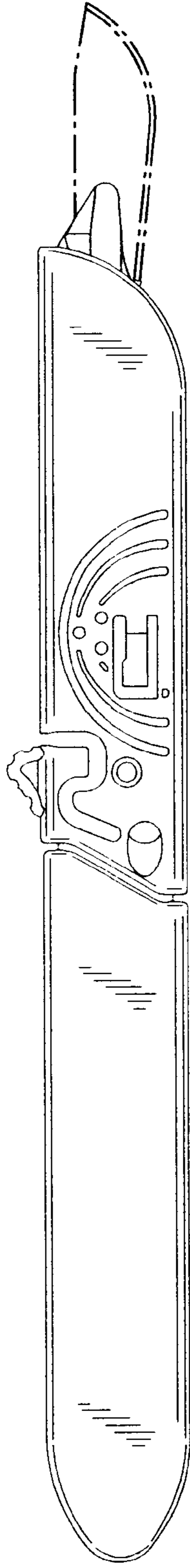


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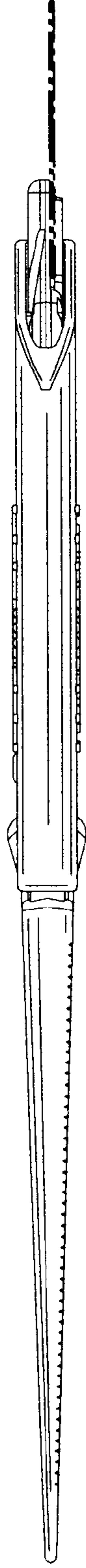


FIG. 15

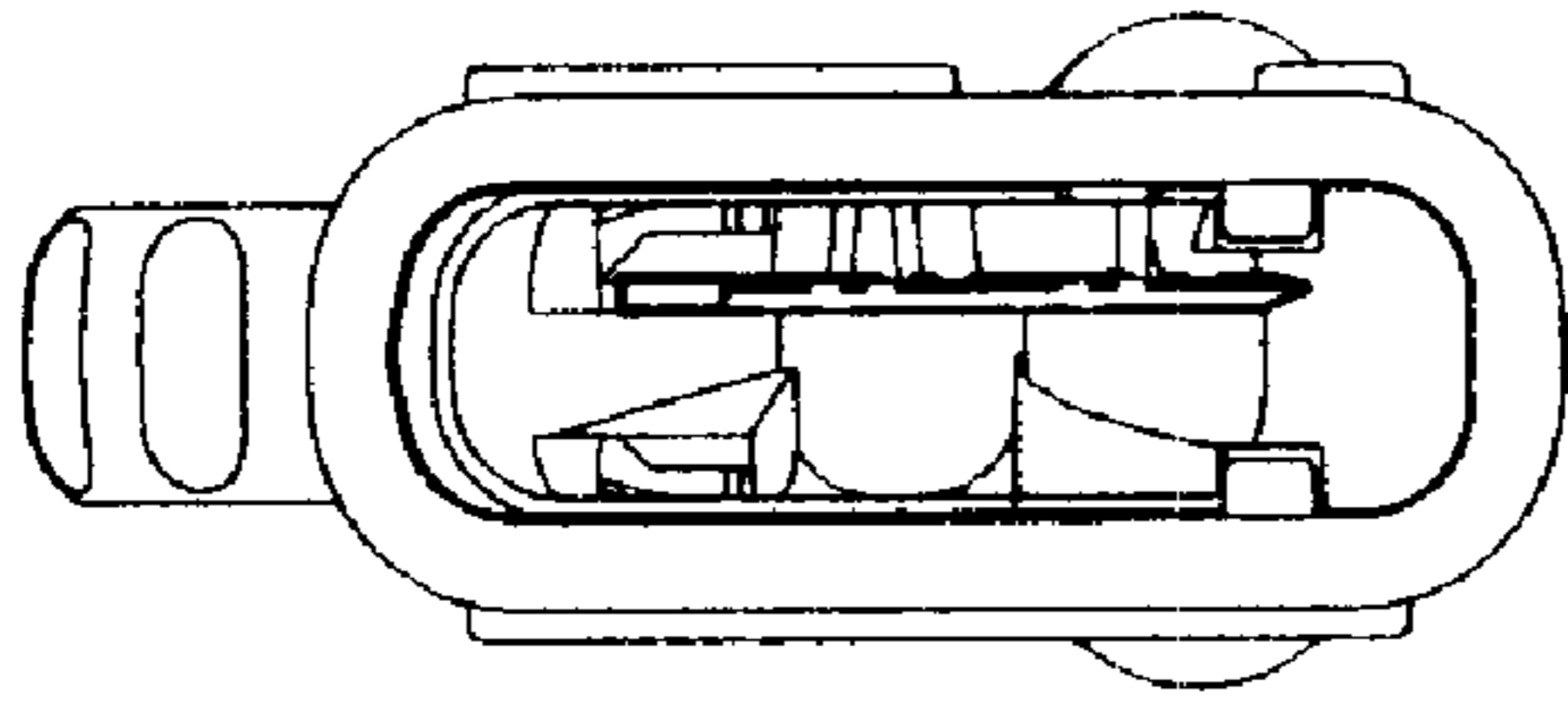


FIG. 16

