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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design of a container, substantially as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

(**) **Term:** **14 Years**

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FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a container showing my new design and including a can shown for environmental purposes;

FIG. 2 is a front perspective view of the container as seen in FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is an additional front perspective view setting forth additional details of the design;

FIG. 4 is a top plan view;

FIG. 5 is a front elevation view;

FIG. 6 is a rear elevation view;

FIG. 7 is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. 8 is a left side view; and,

FIG. 9 is a right side view.

The broken lines shown at the bottom of FIGS. 2, 4, 5, and 7 are for environmental purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

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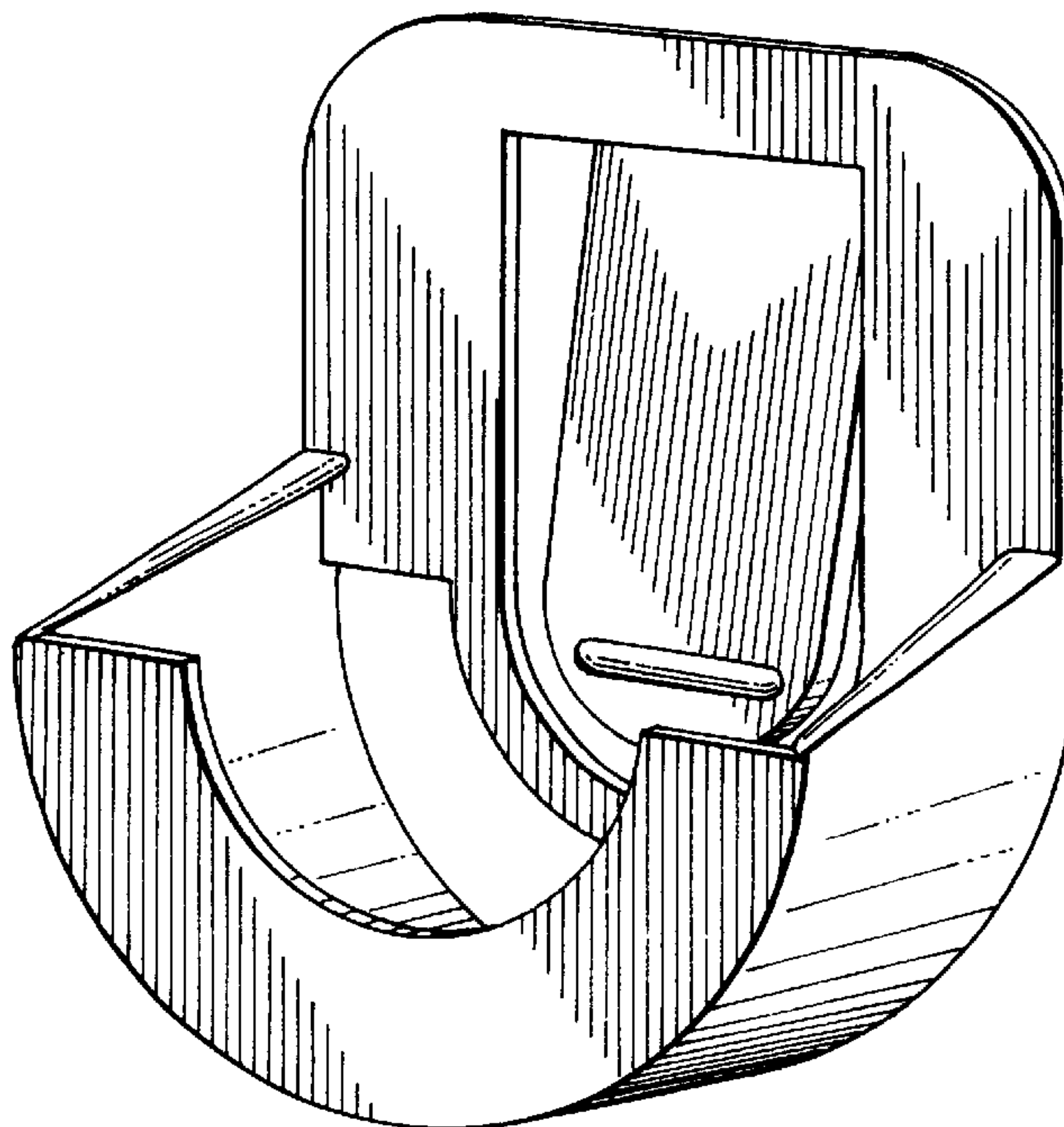
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Five (5) Photographs of admitted prior art.

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1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets



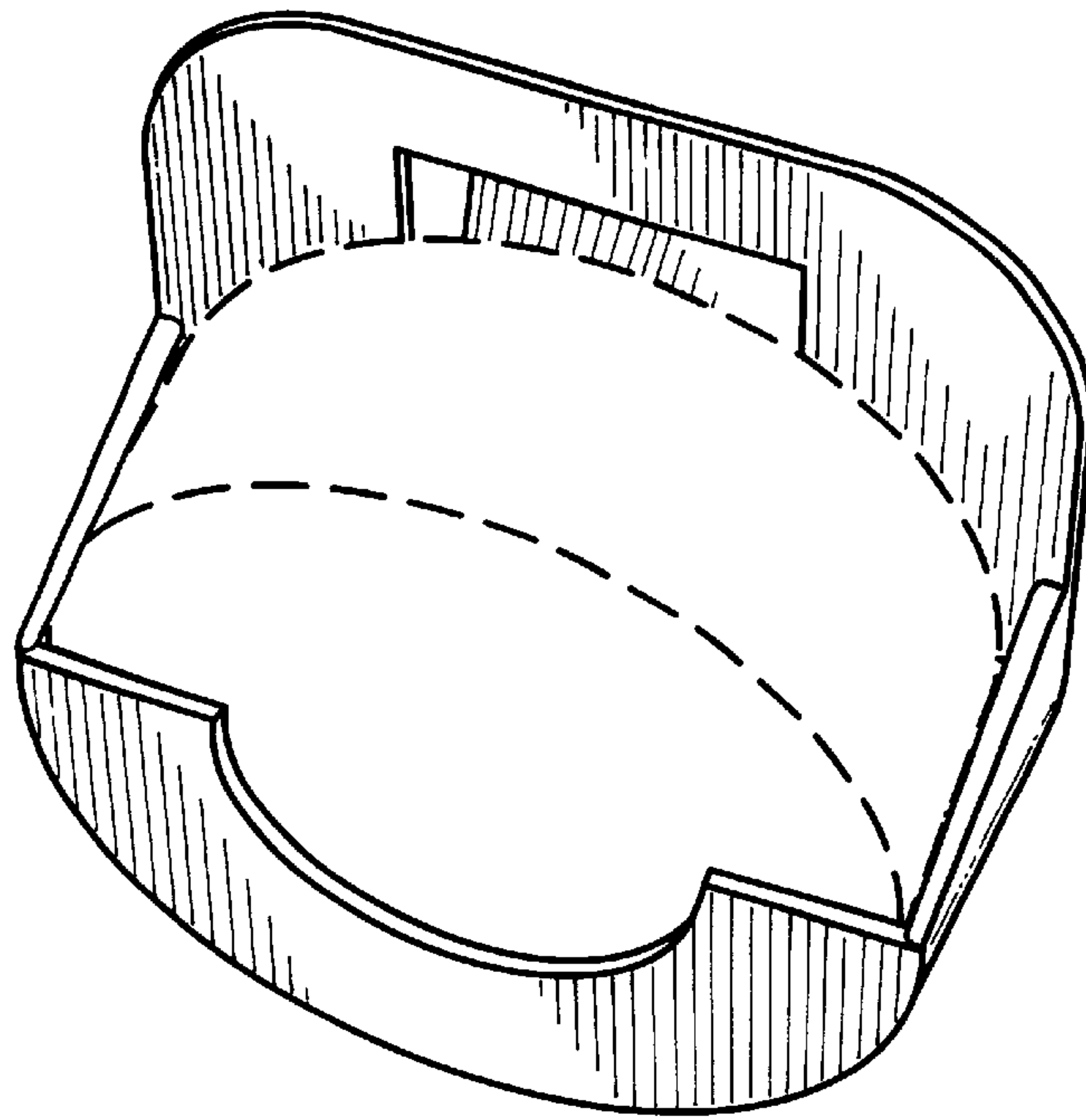


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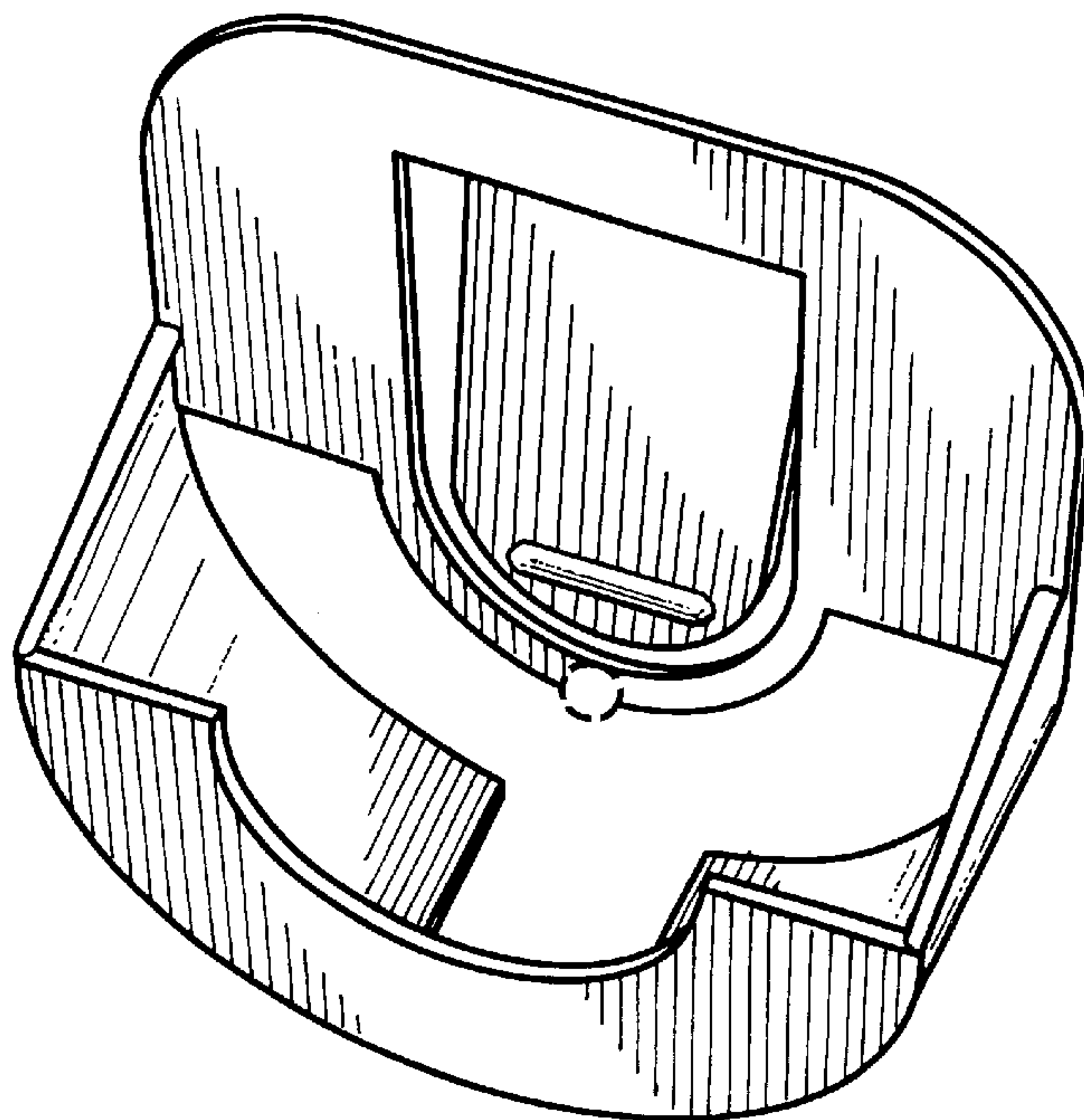


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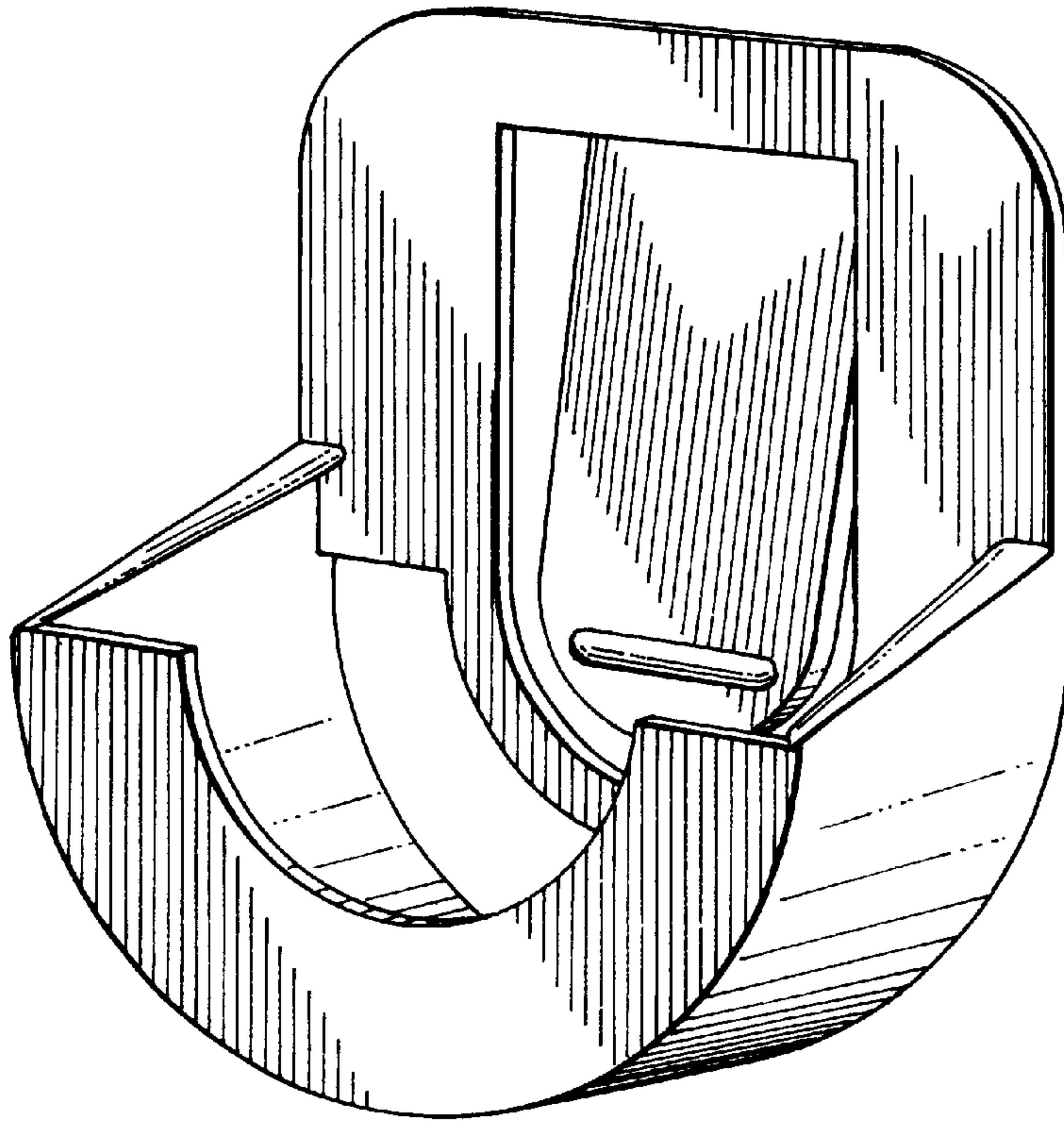


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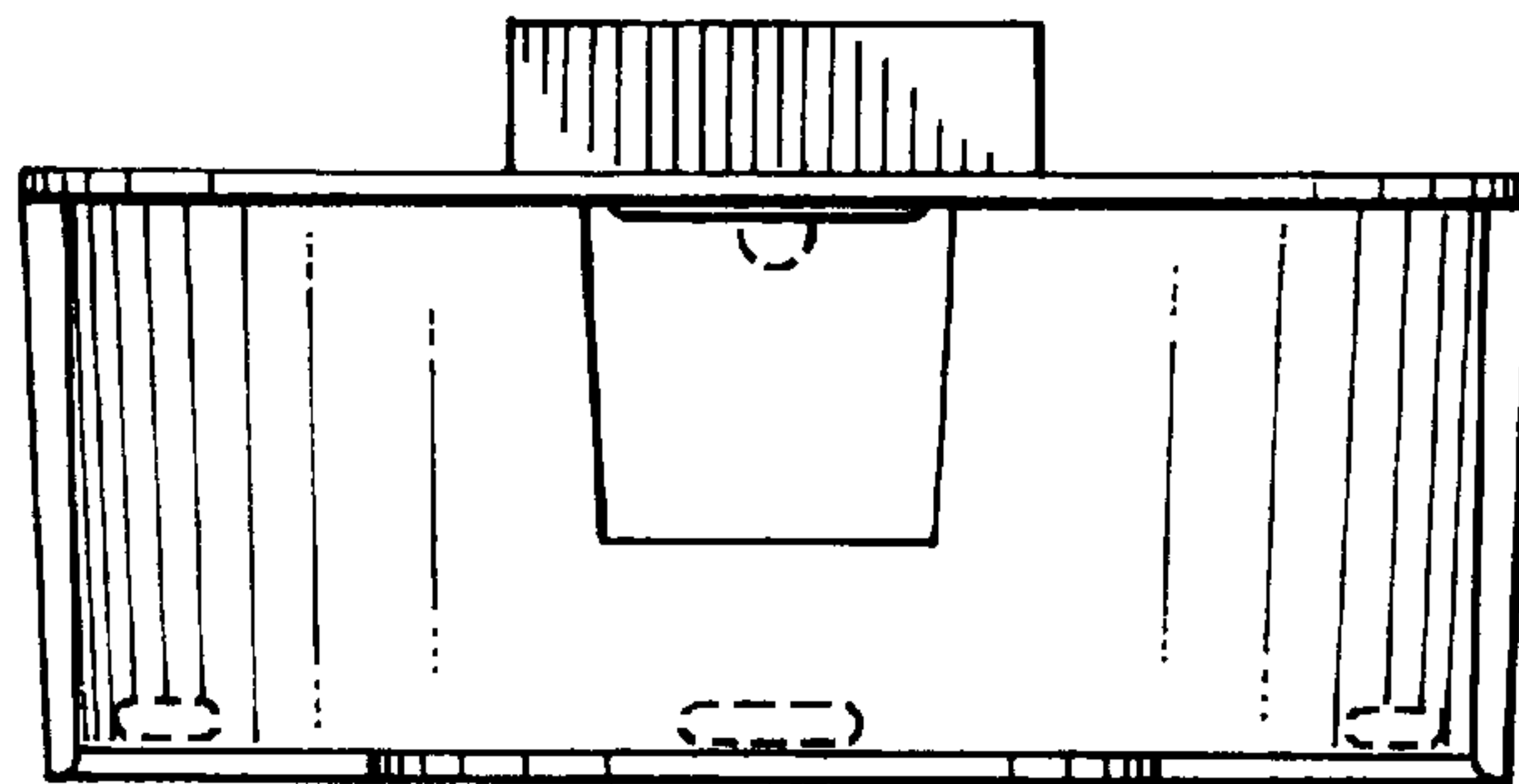


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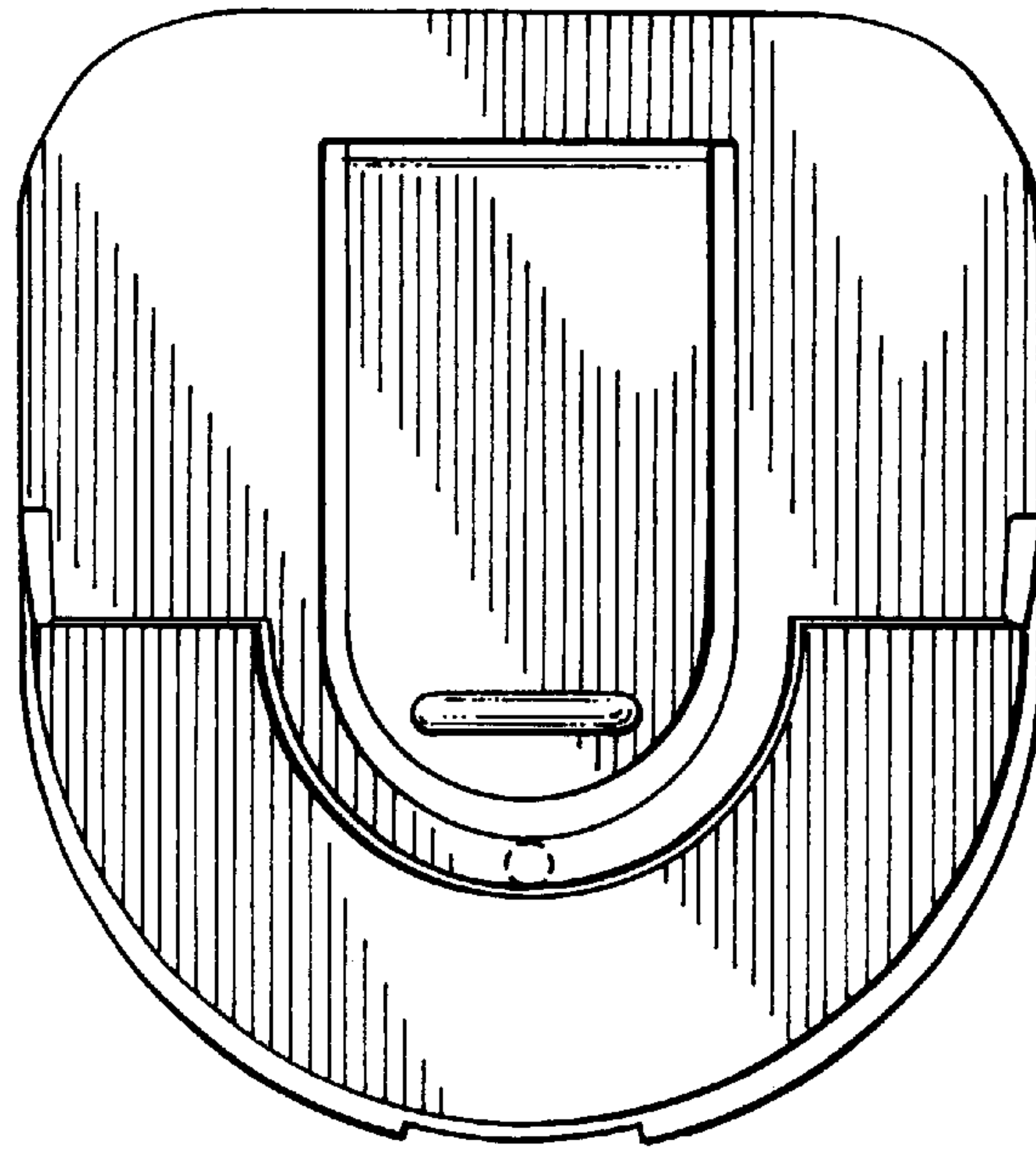


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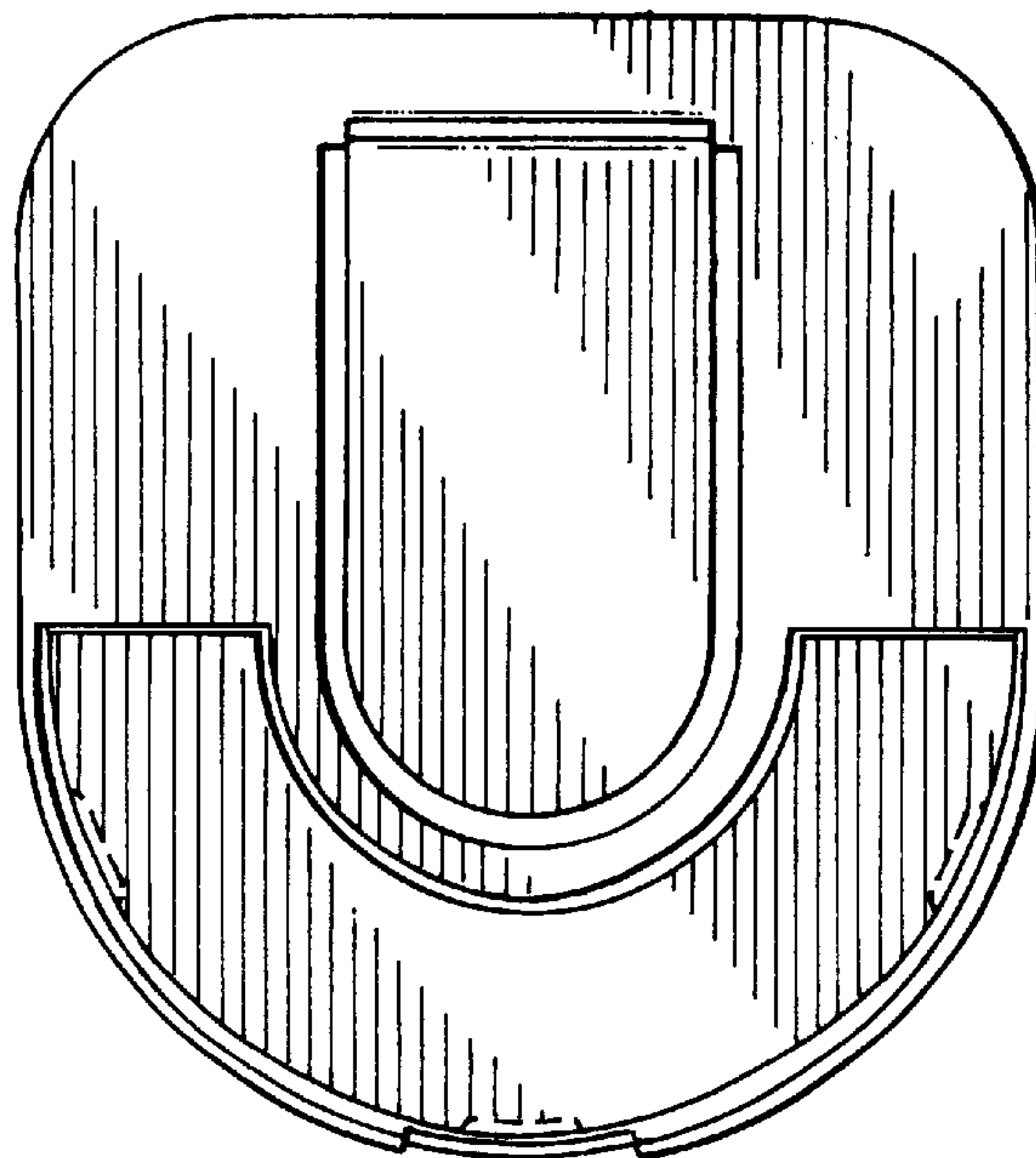


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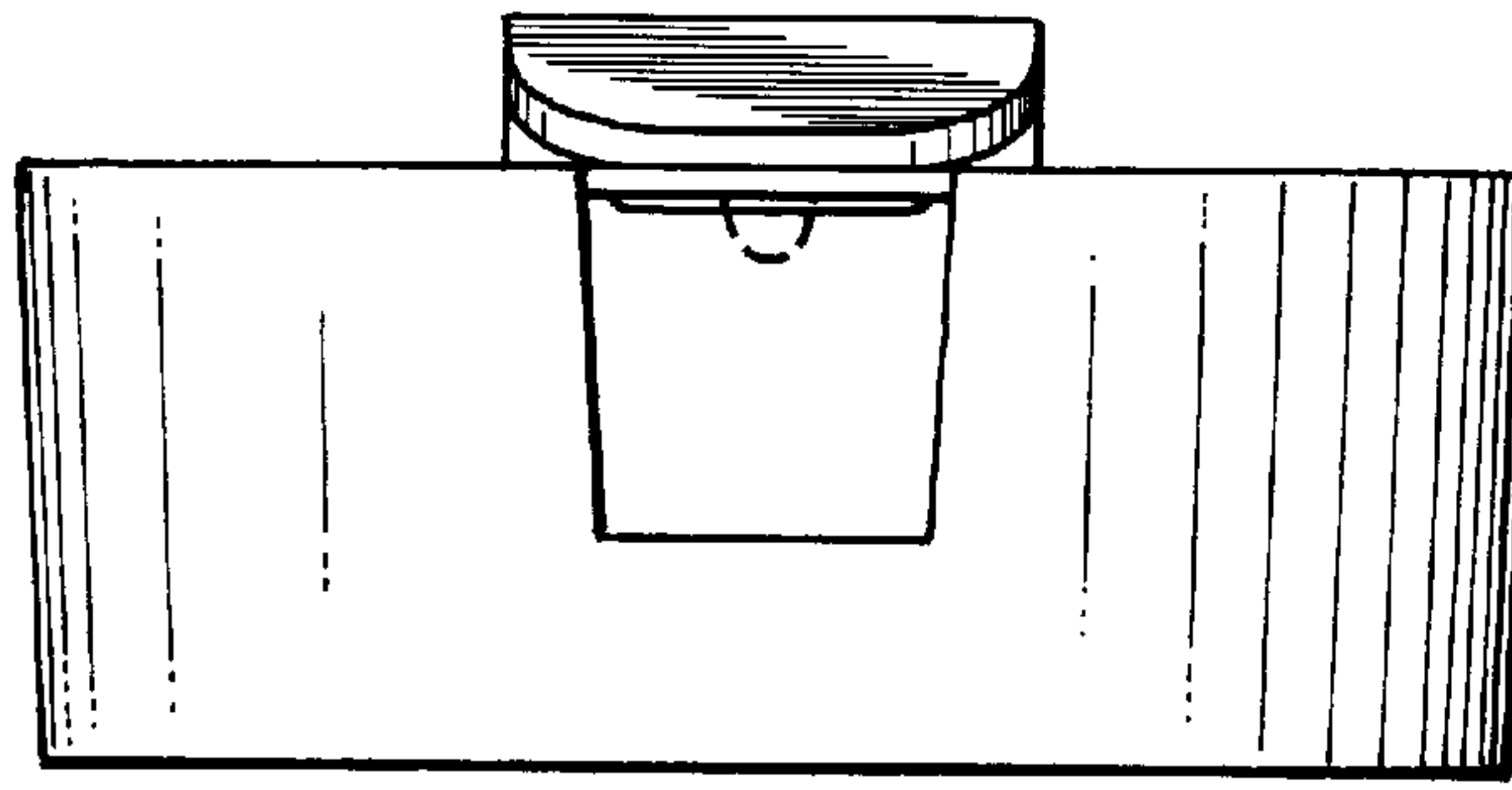


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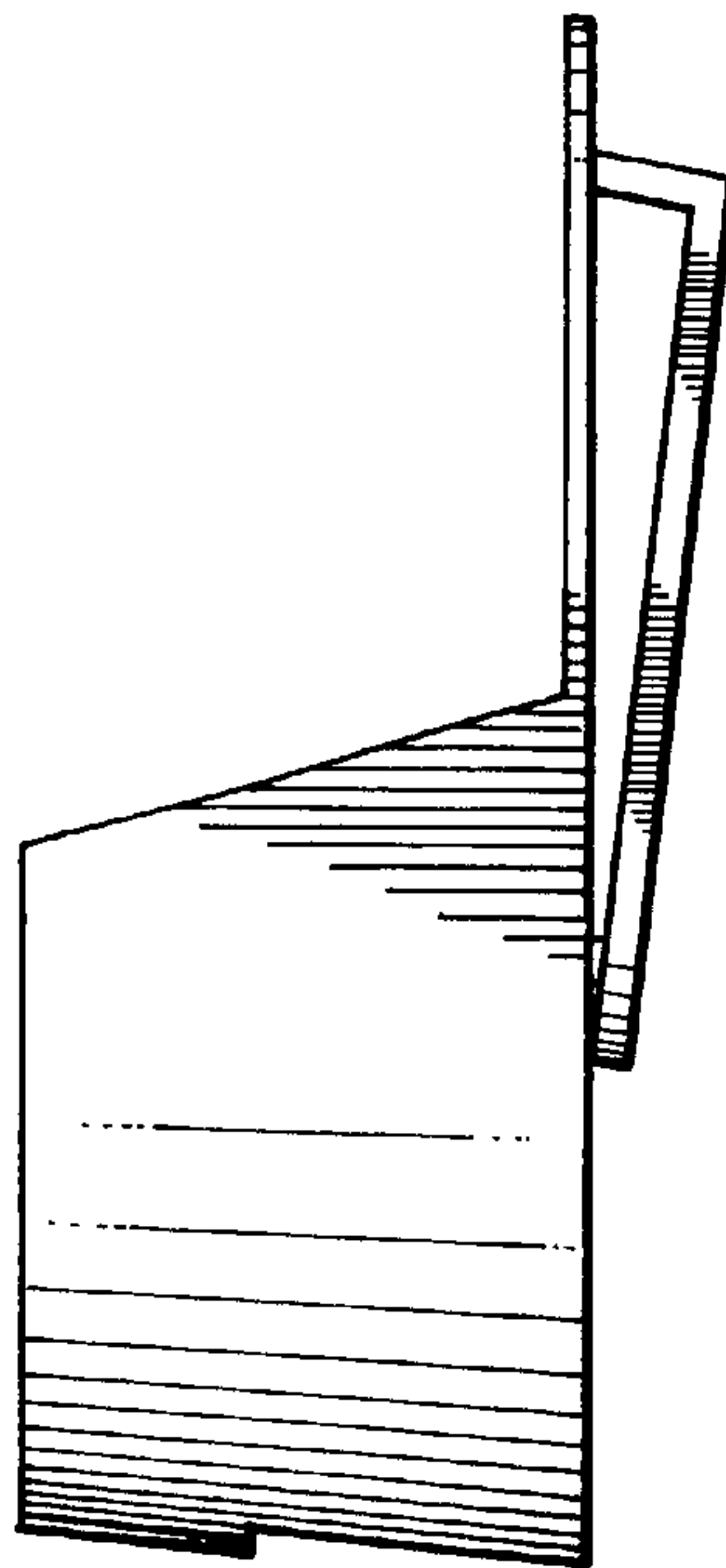


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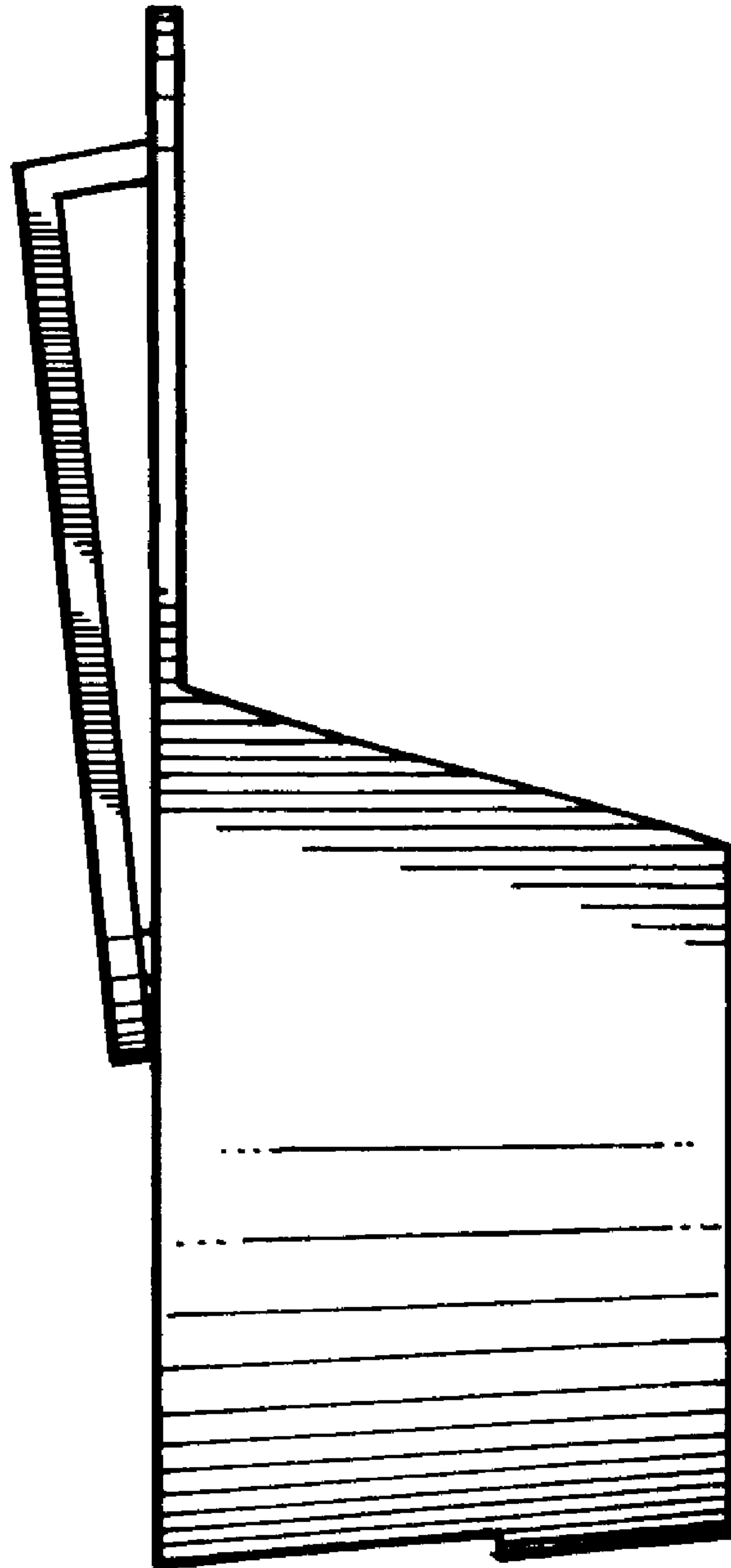


Fig. 9