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(54) **GRIPPING STRUCTURE OF A CLOSURE**

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The ornamental design for a gripping structure of a closure,
as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

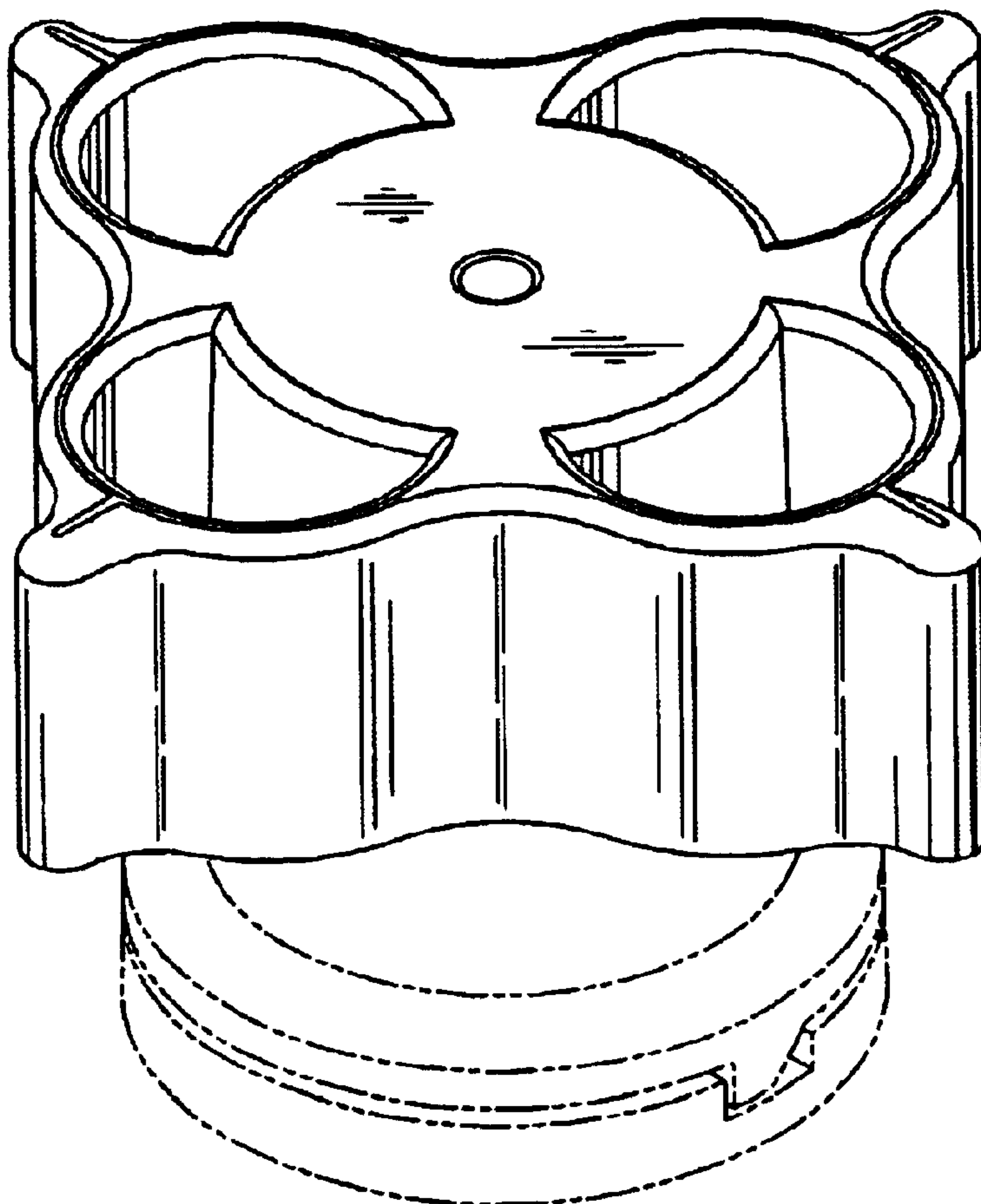
FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a gripping structure of a
closure showing our new design, the lower portion of the
closure being illustrated in broken lines for purposes of full
disclosure in respect of one form that the bottom portion
could have and that forms no part of our claimed design;
FIG. 2 is a top plan view thereof; and,
FIG. 3 is a side elevational view thereof.

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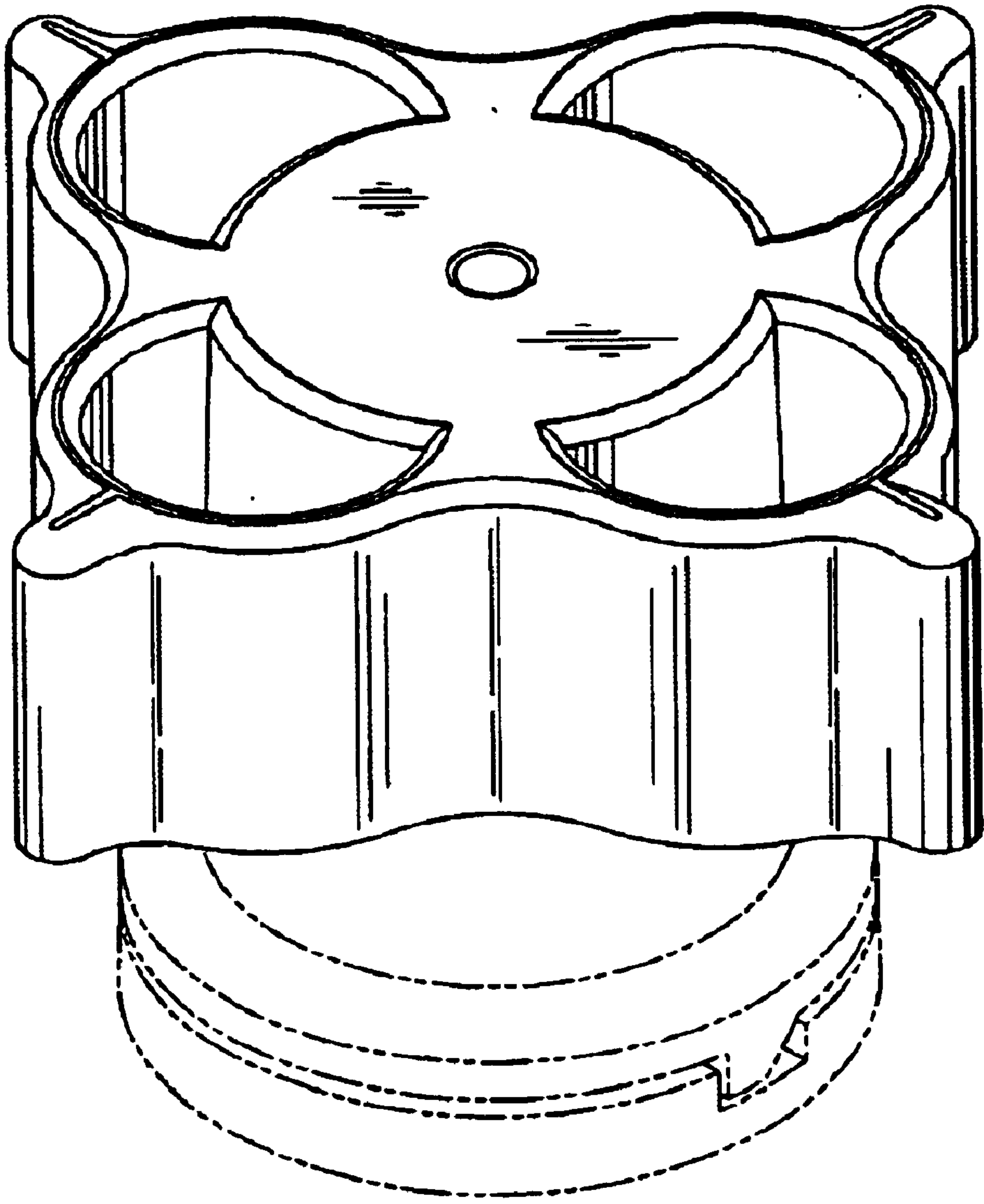


FIG. 1

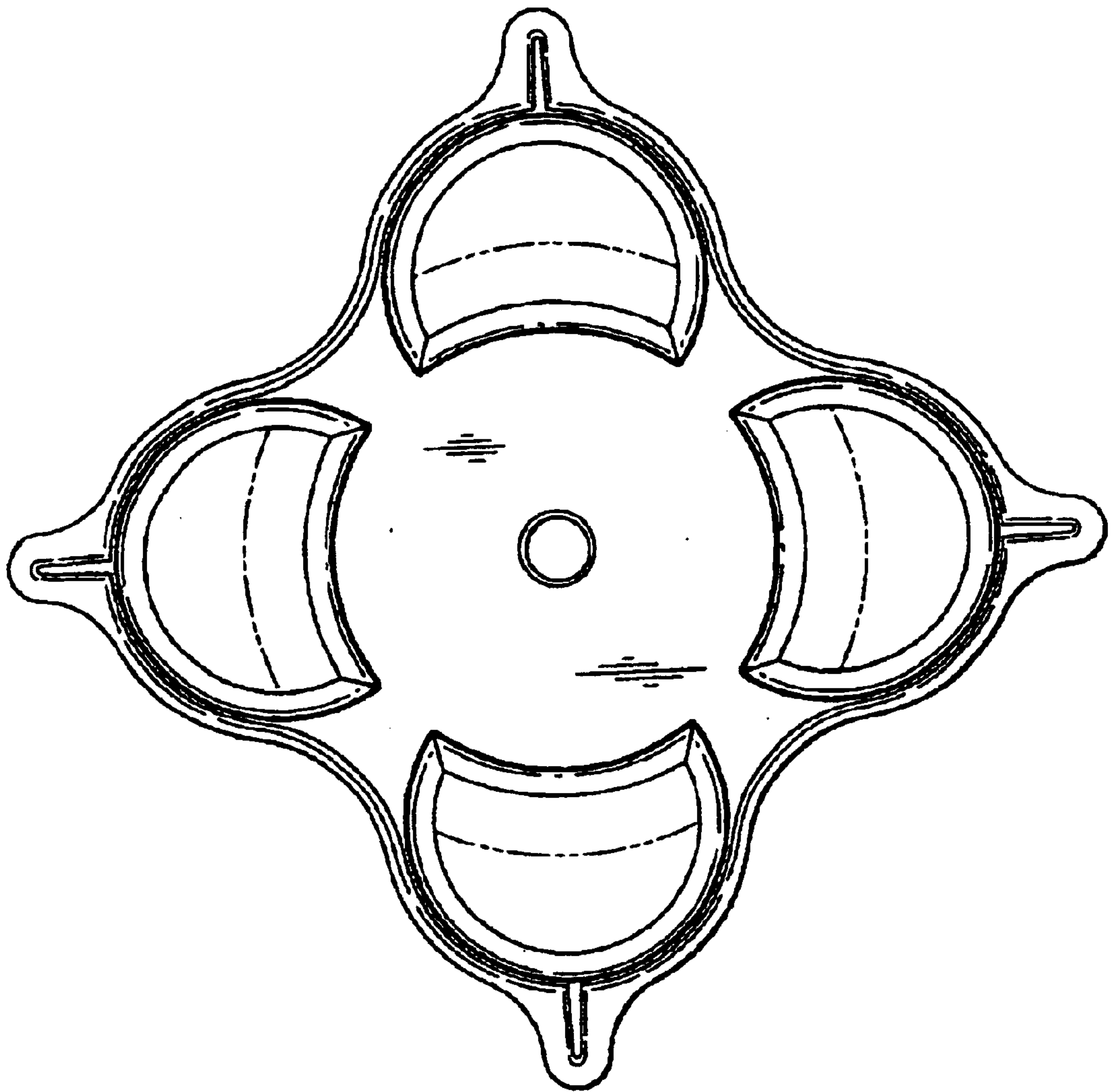


FIG. 2

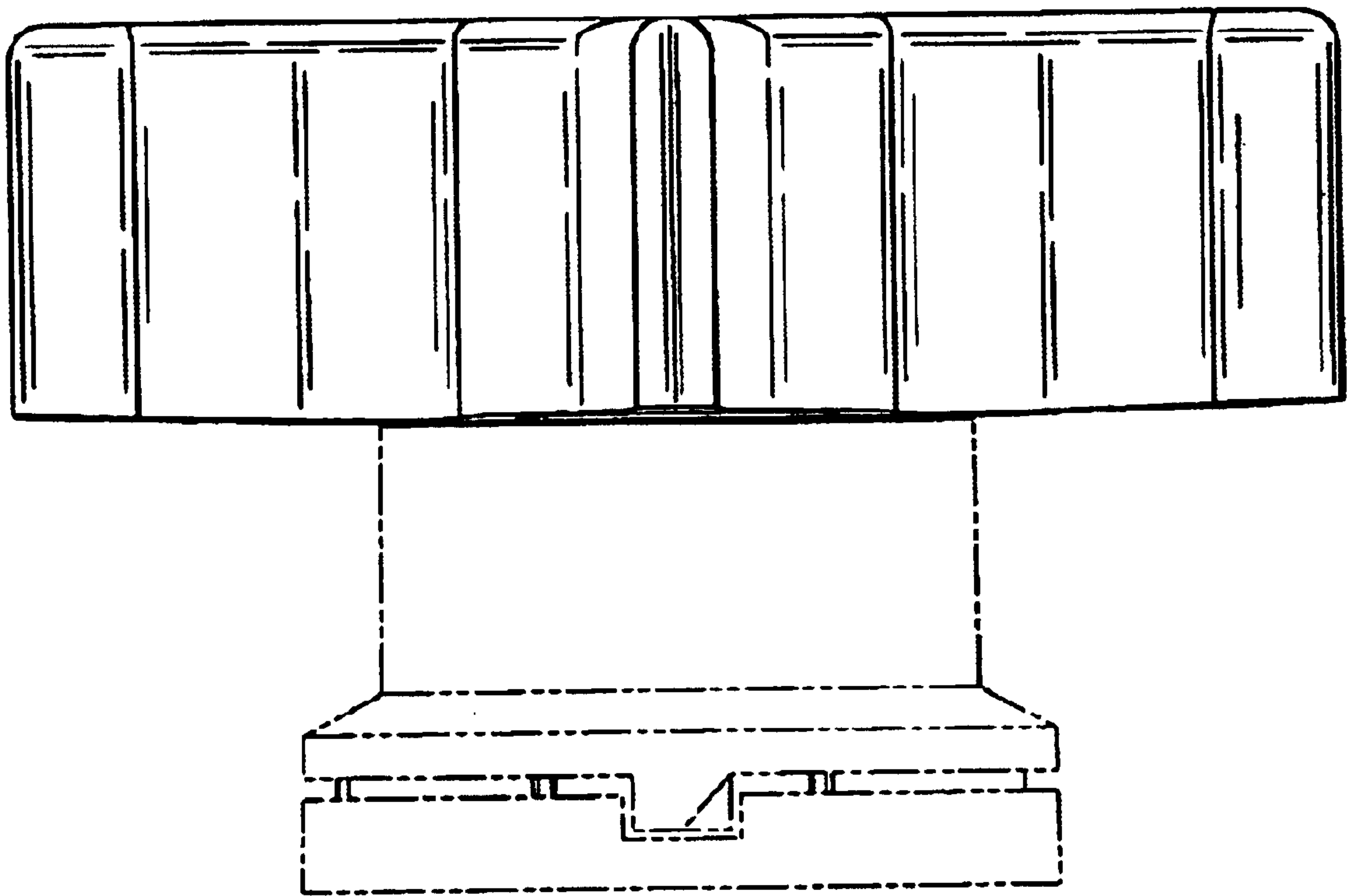


FIG. 3