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(54) **EAR INSERT AND AUDIO COMMUNICATION LINK**

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The original design for an ear insert and audio communication link, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a front elevational view of an ear insert and audio communication link that is adapted to be worn in both the left and right ears of a user and which forms our new design; FIG. 2 is a bottom plan view thereof; FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 5 is a right side elevational view thereof; FIG. 6 is a left side elevational view thereof; and, FIG. 7 shows our ear insert being worn in the left ear of a user, the flexible acoustic tubing illustrated in broken lines for coupling the ear insert to an audio receiver being shown for illustrative purposes only and forming no part of our design.

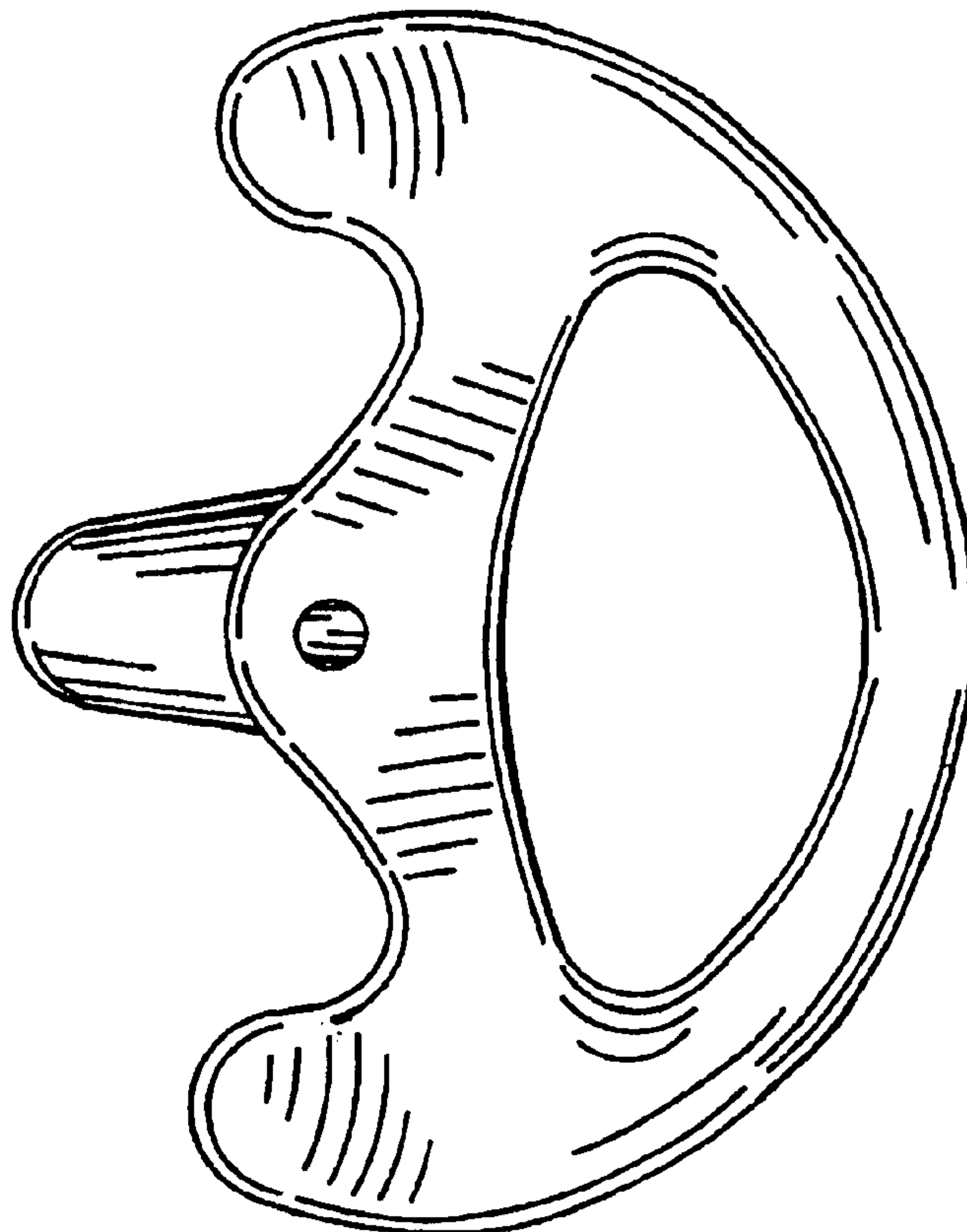
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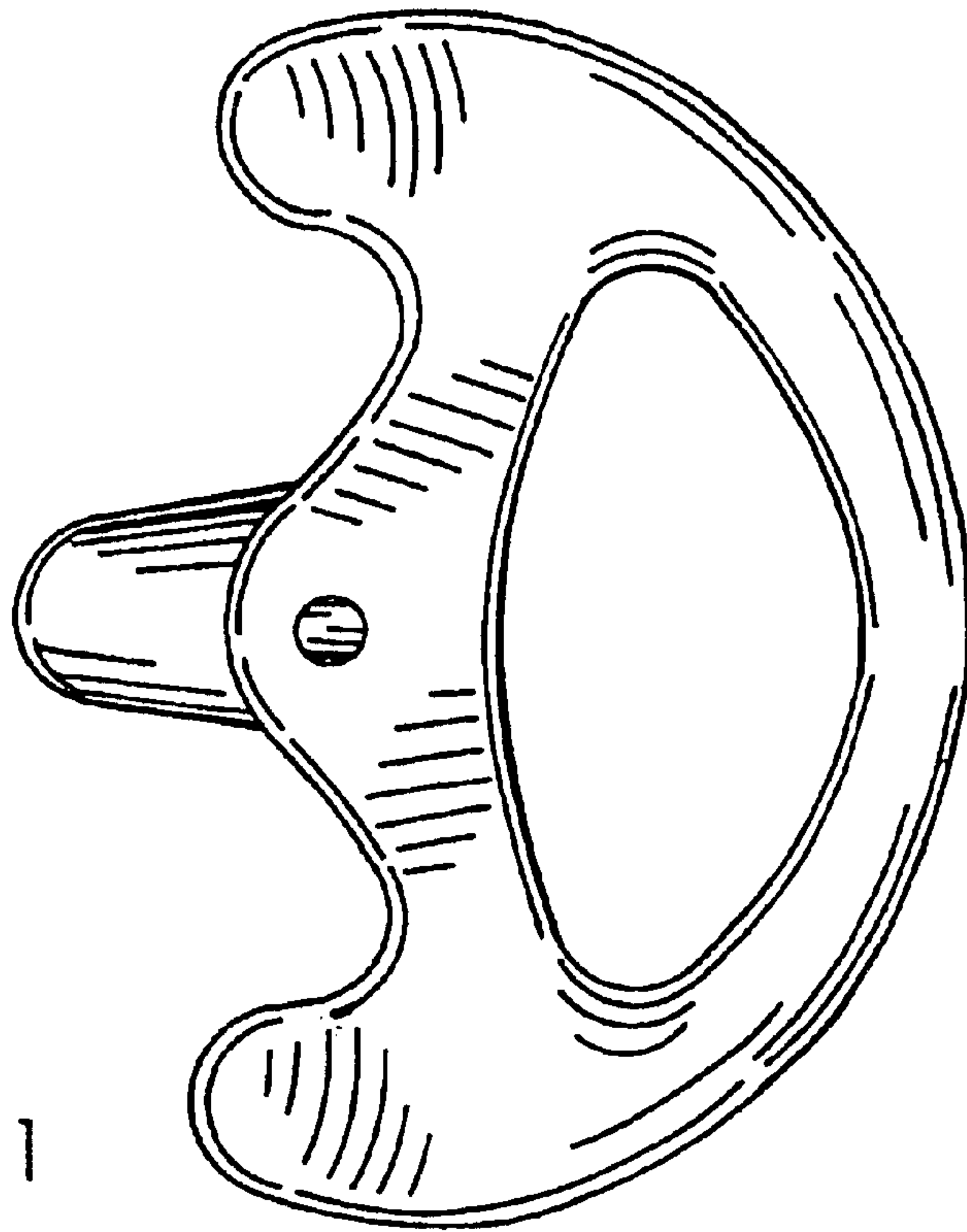


FIG. 1

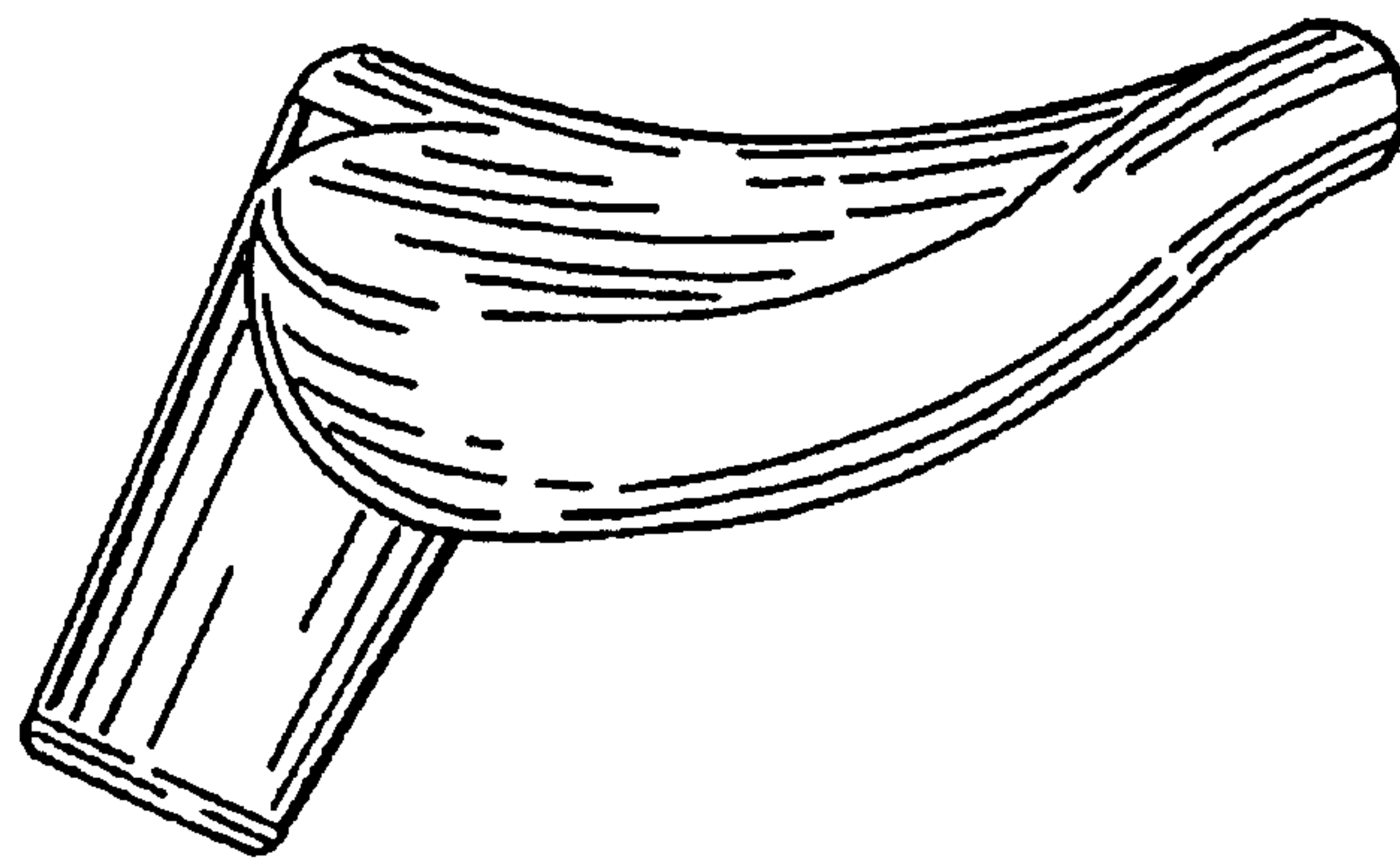


FIG. 2

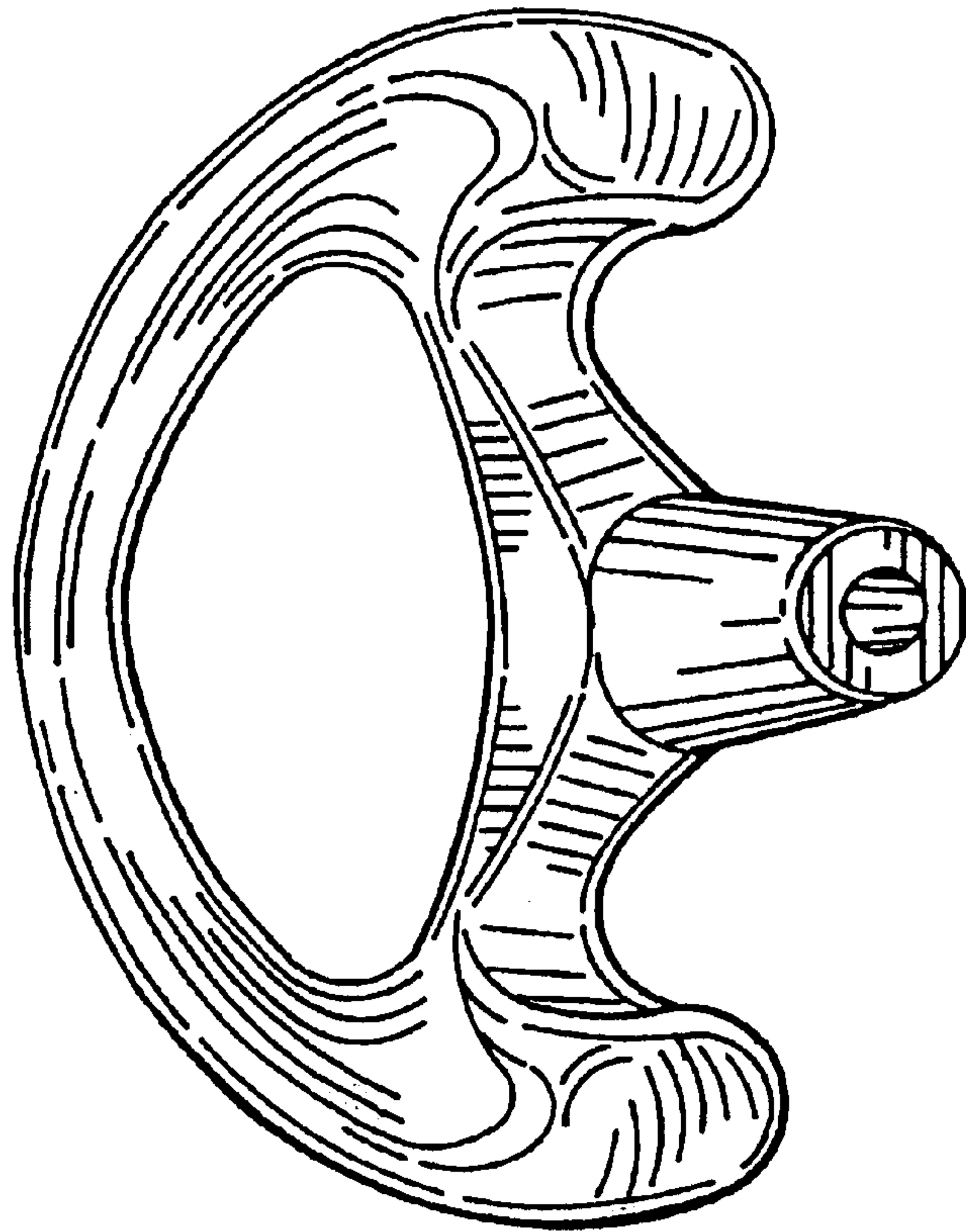


FIG. 3

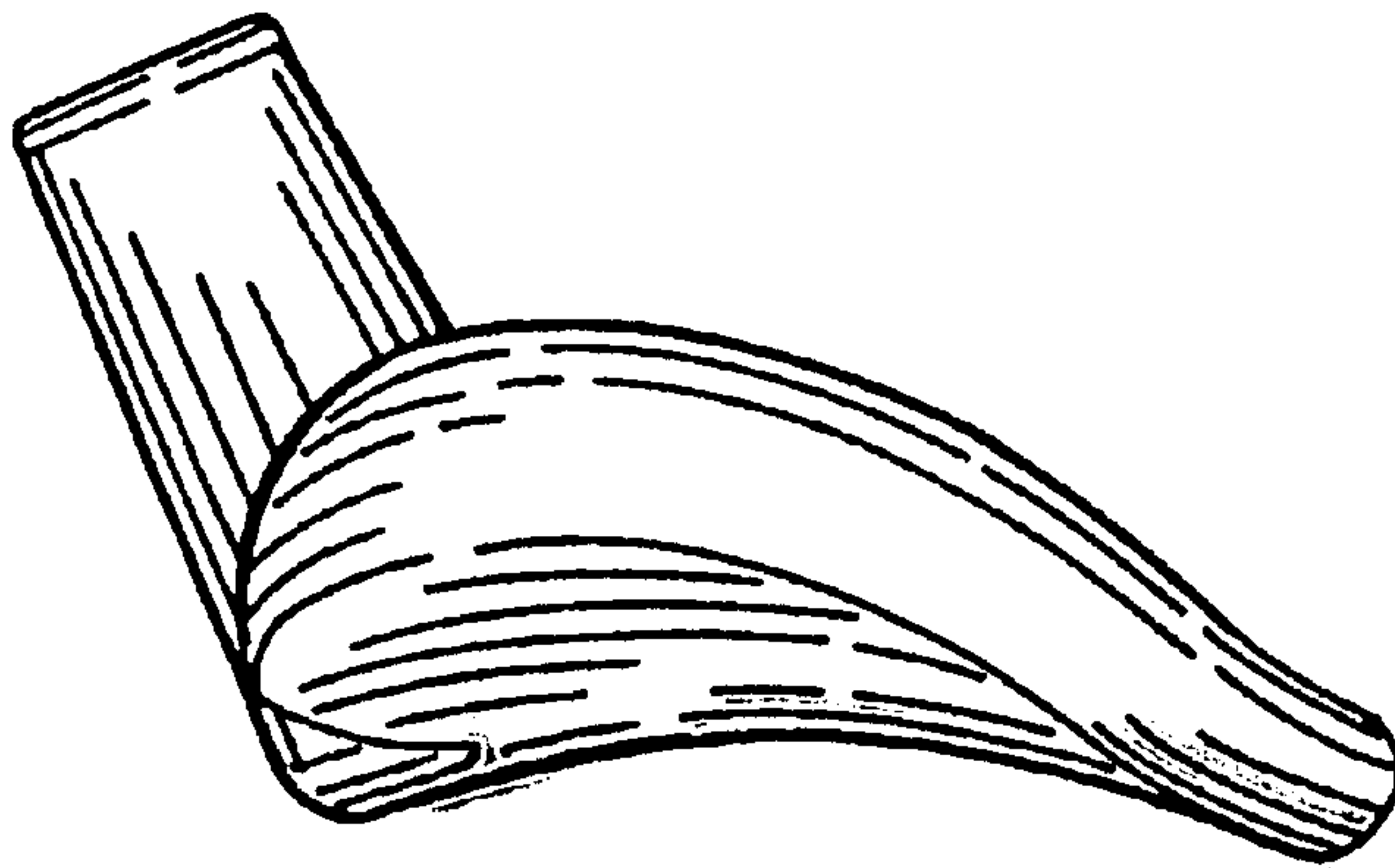


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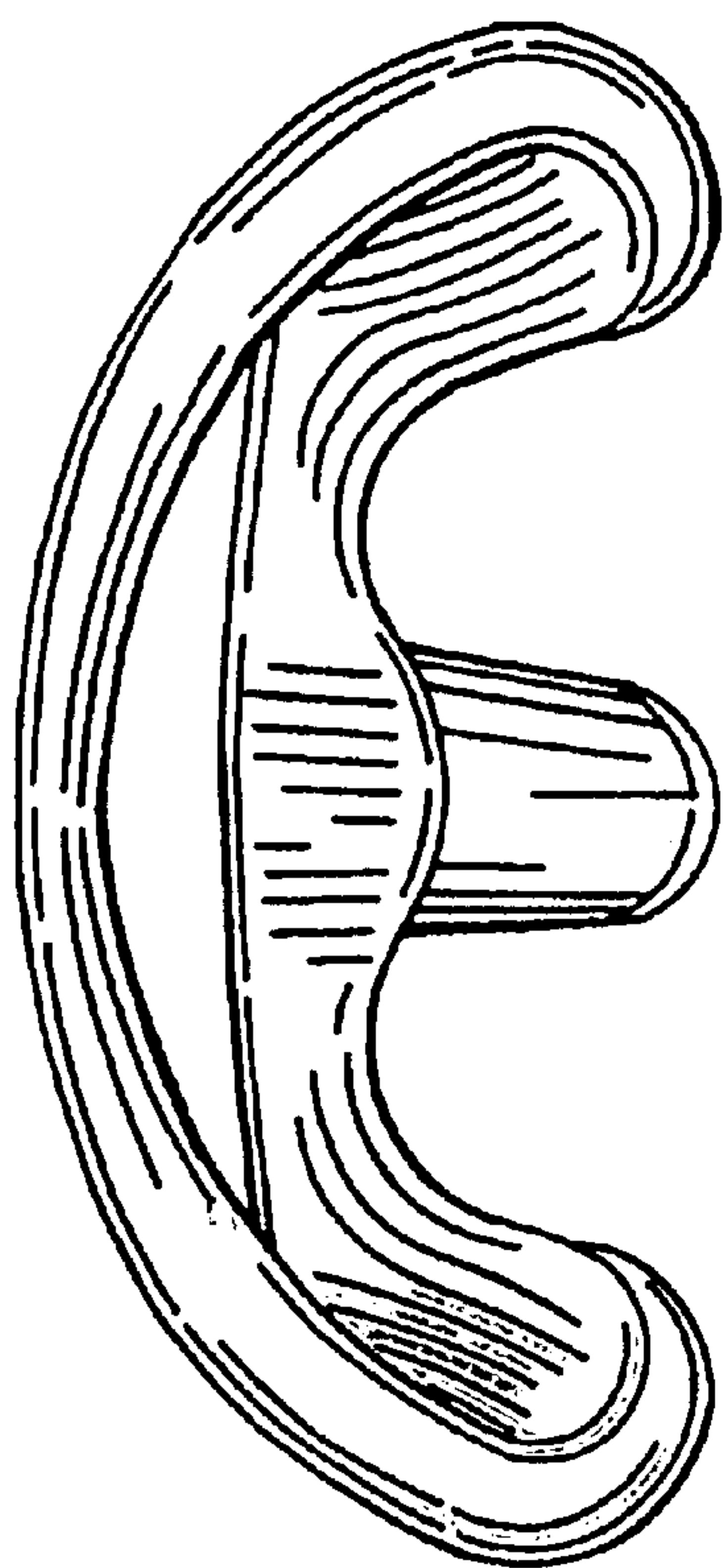


FIG. 5

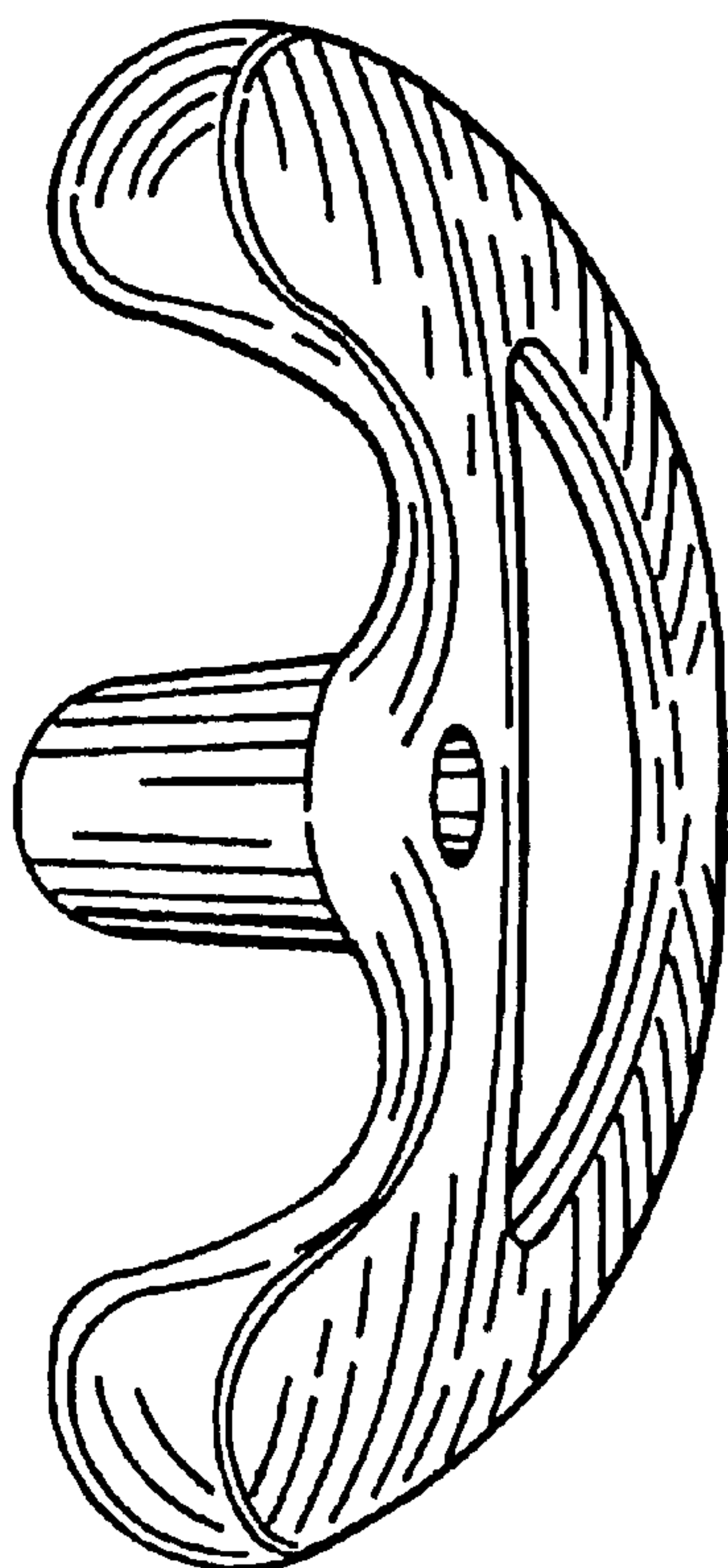


FIG. 6

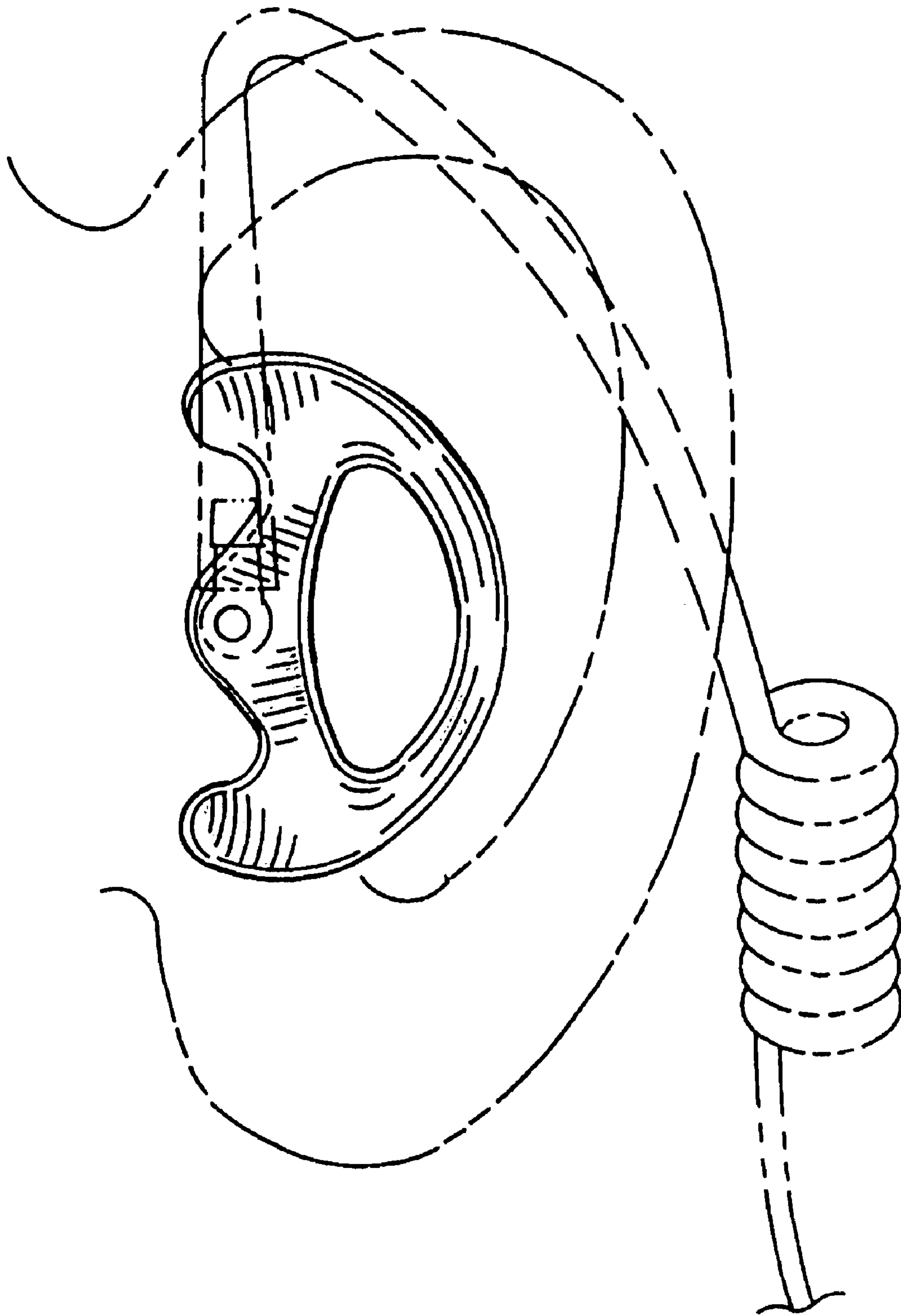


FIG. 7