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(54) **PROTECTIVE CASE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

We claim the ornamental design for a protective case, substantially as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a protective case showing our new design;

FIG. 2 is a front view for the protective case.

FIG. 3 is a rear view for the protective case.

FIG. 4 is a right side view for the protective case.

FIG. 5 is a left side view for the protective case.

FIG. 6 is a top view for the protective case.

FIG. 7 is a bottom view for the protective case.

FIG. 8 is front view of an electronic device being inserted into an opened protective case.

FIG. 9 is front view of an electronic device positioned within the opened protective case.

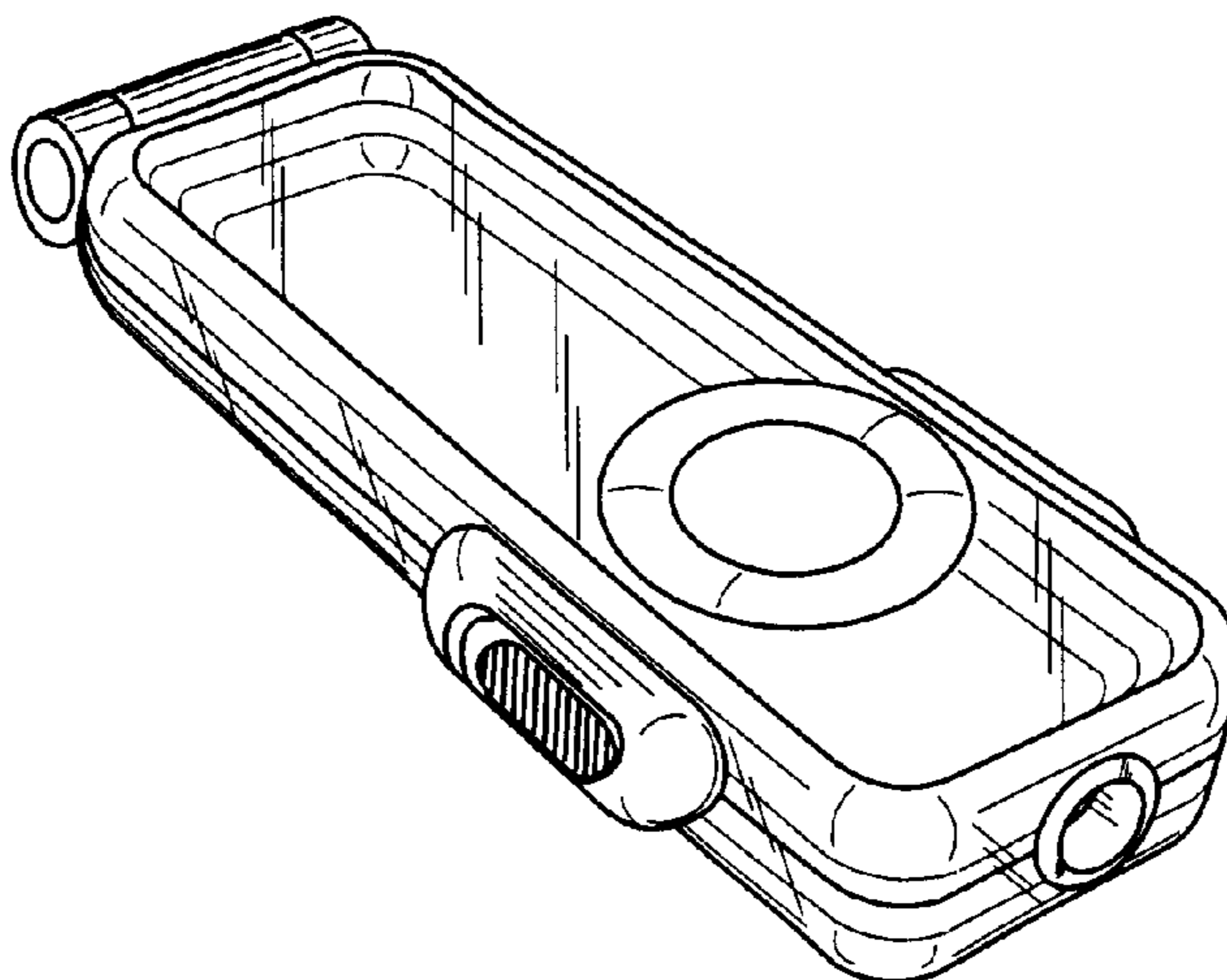
FIG. 10 is front view of an electronic device enclosed by the protective case.

FIG. 11 is an exploded view of the electronic device being placed inside of the protective case;

FIG. 12 is a side view showing the electronic device seated inside the protective case; and,

FIG. 13 is a second embodiment of the protective case shown attached to a necklace.

1 Claim, 6 Drawing Sheets



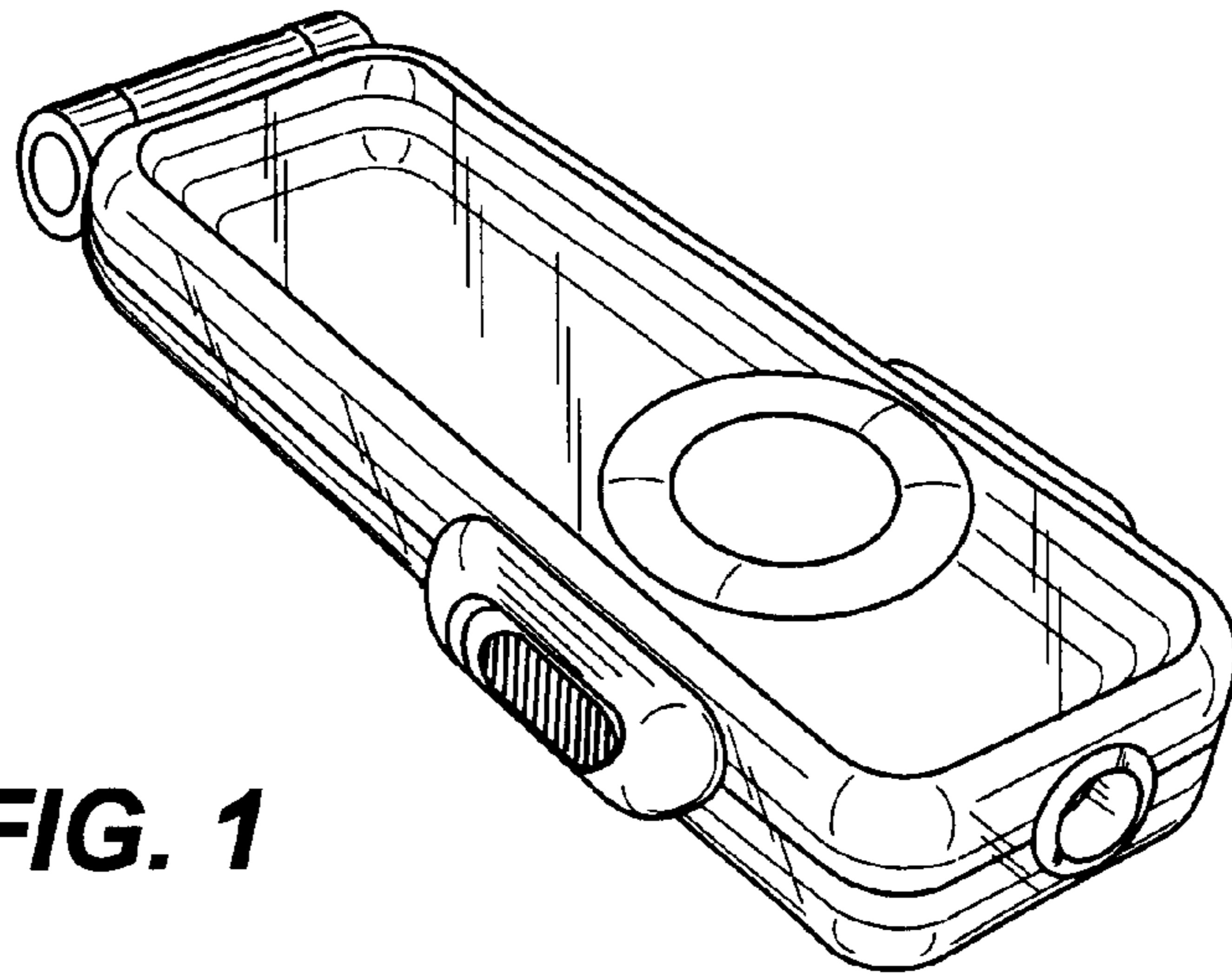


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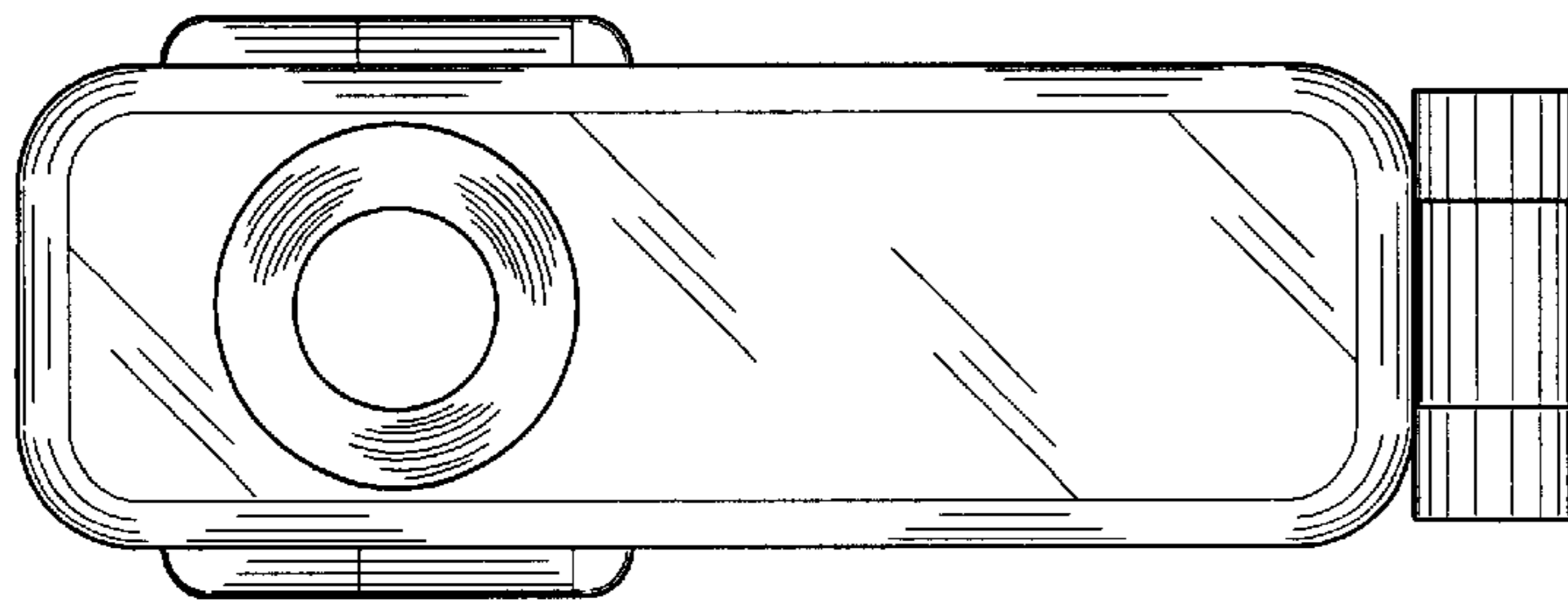


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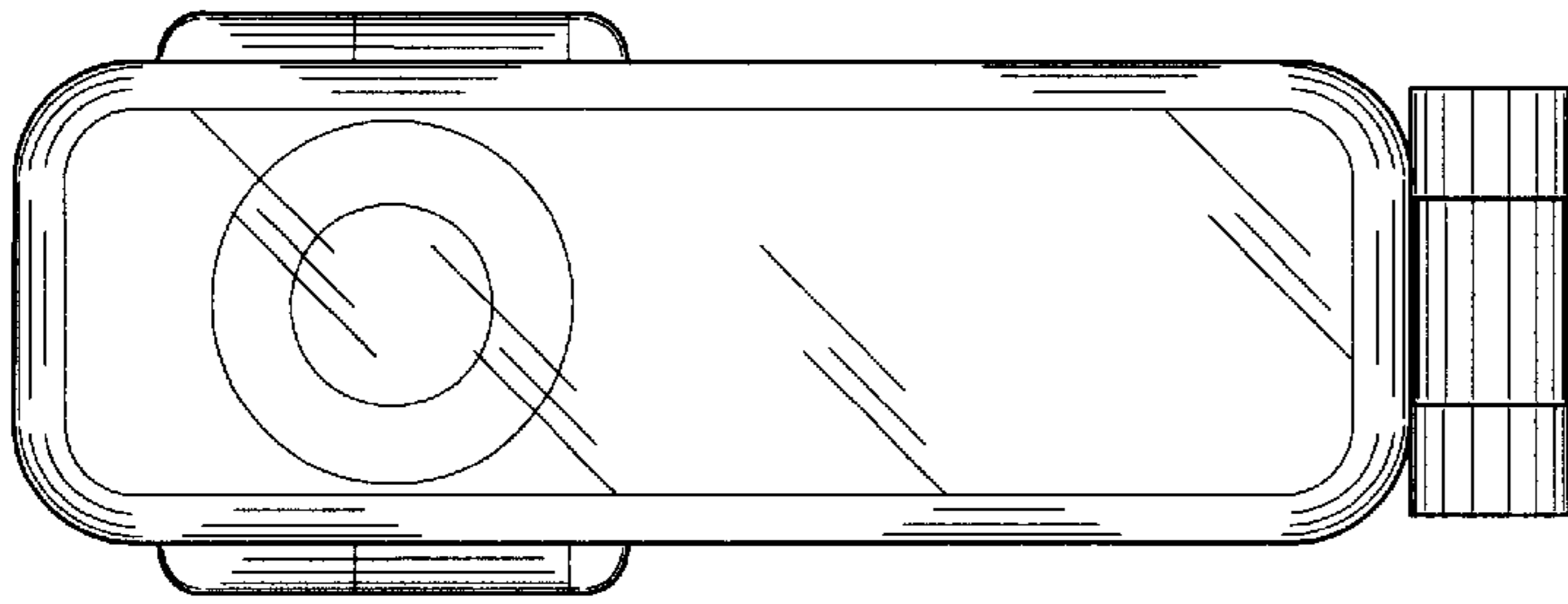


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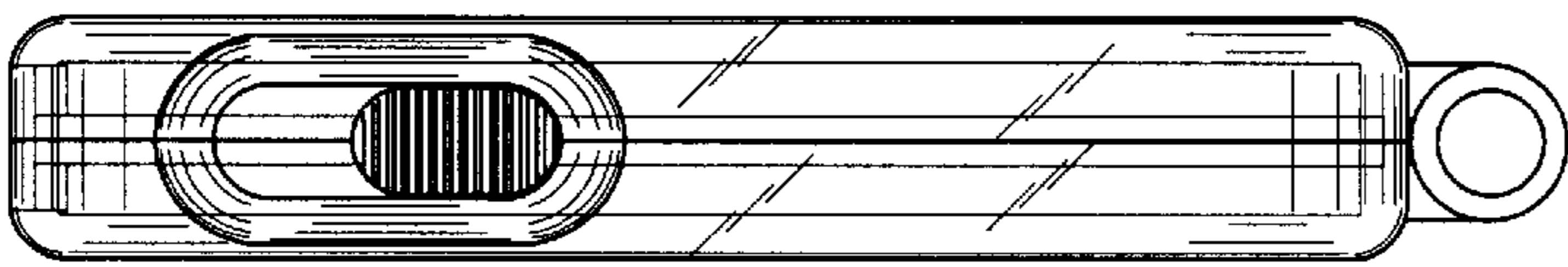


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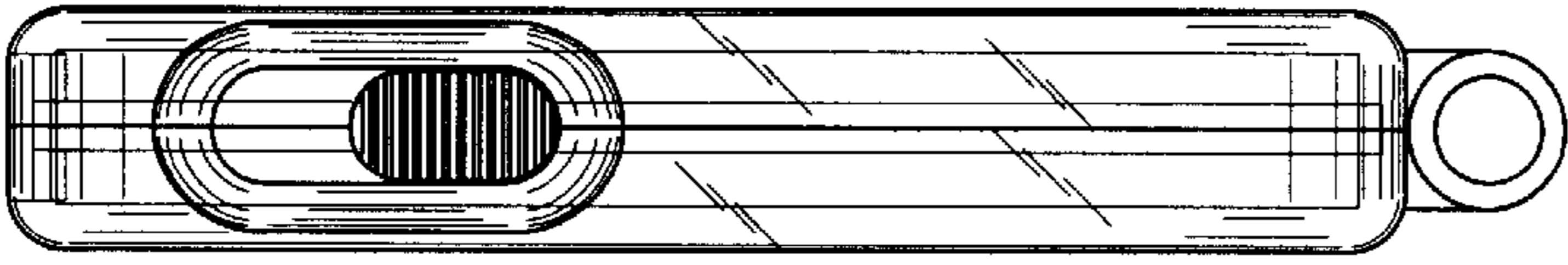


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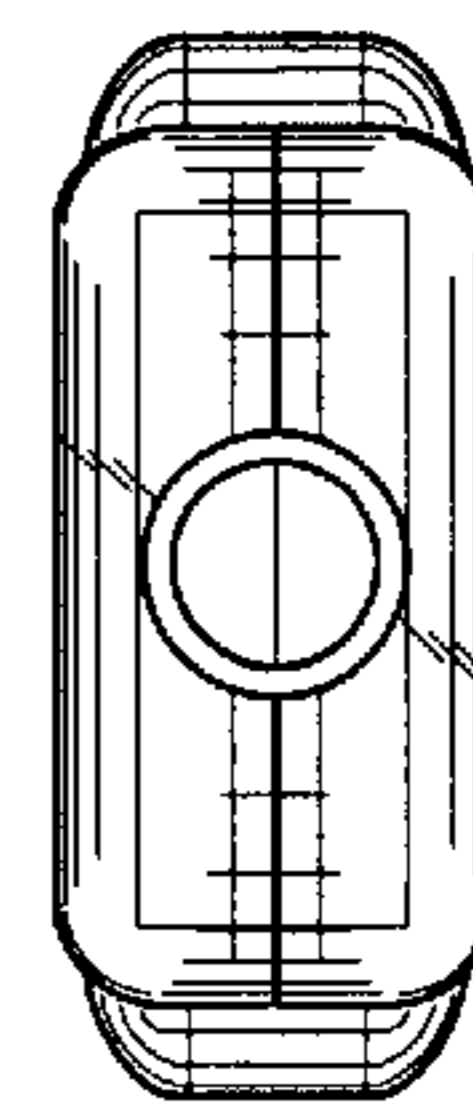


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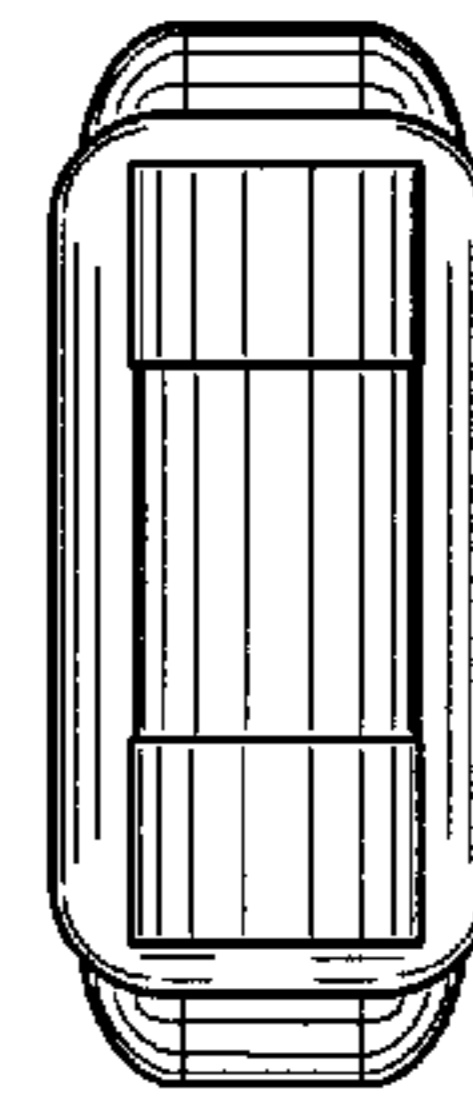


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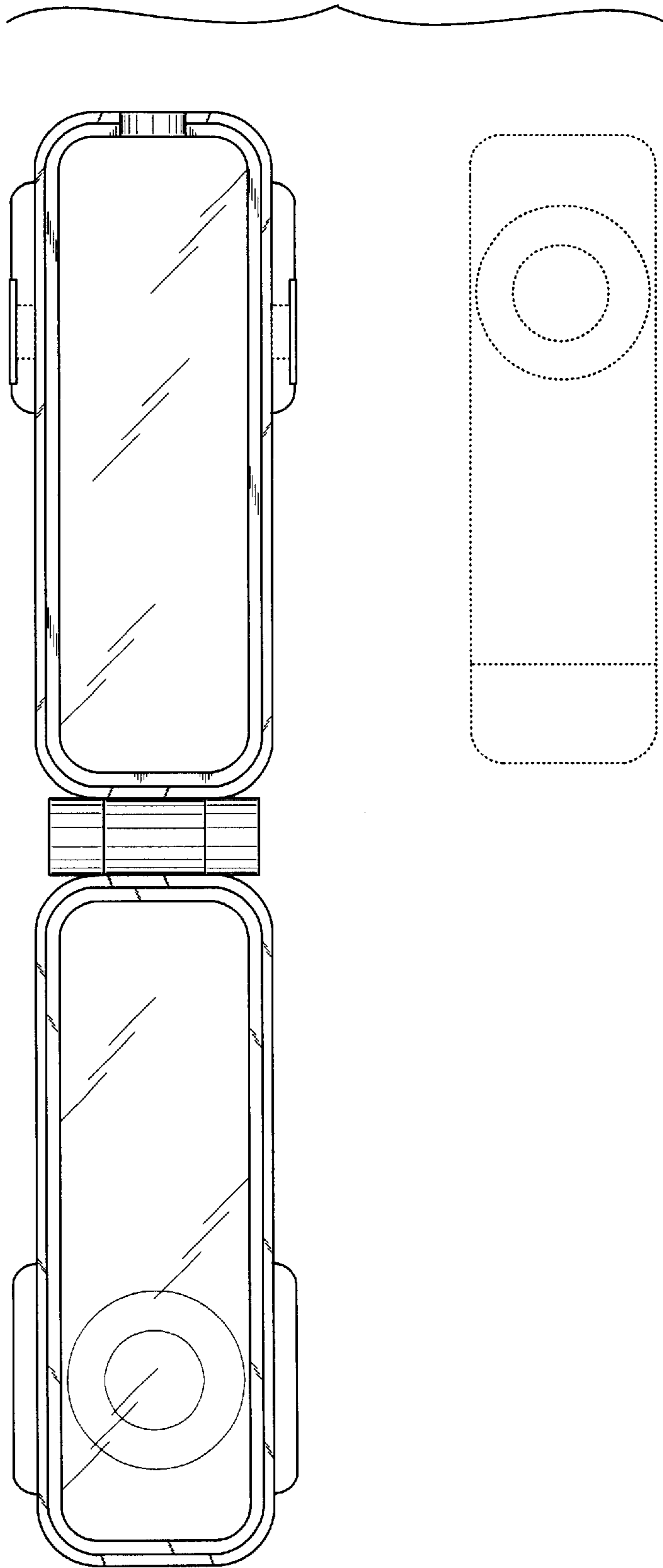


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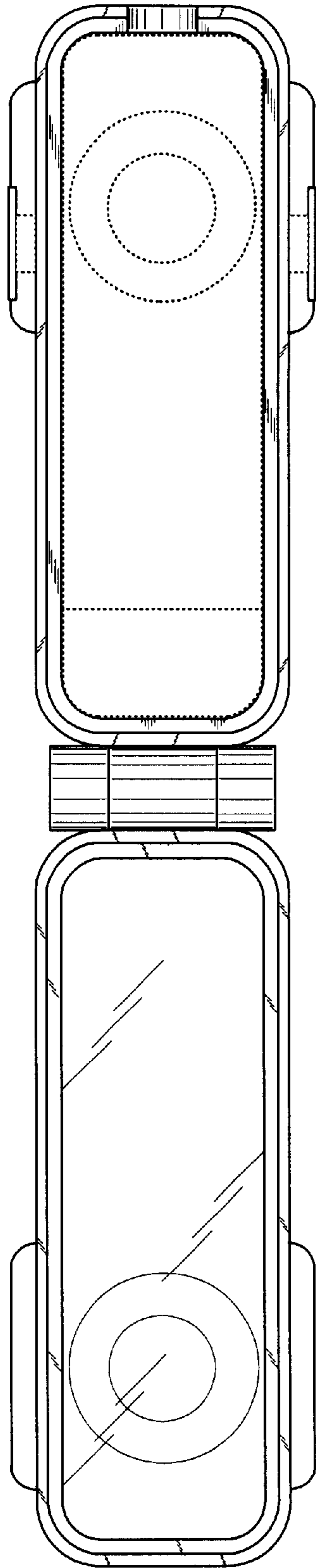


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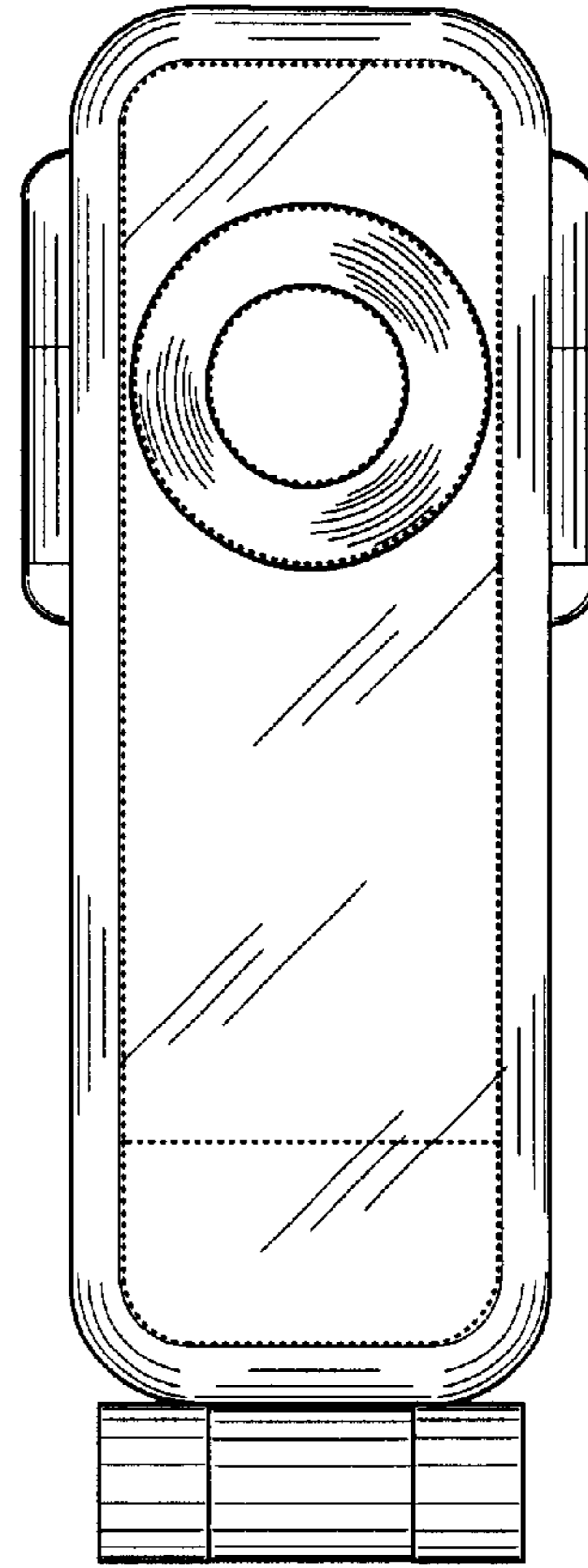


FIG. 10

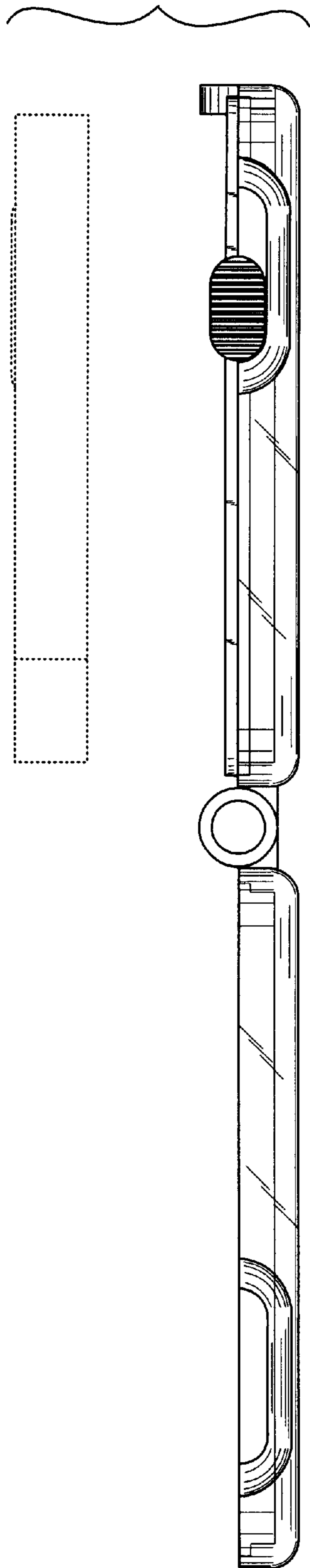


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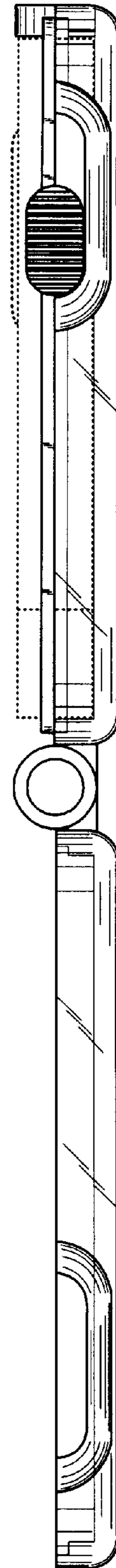


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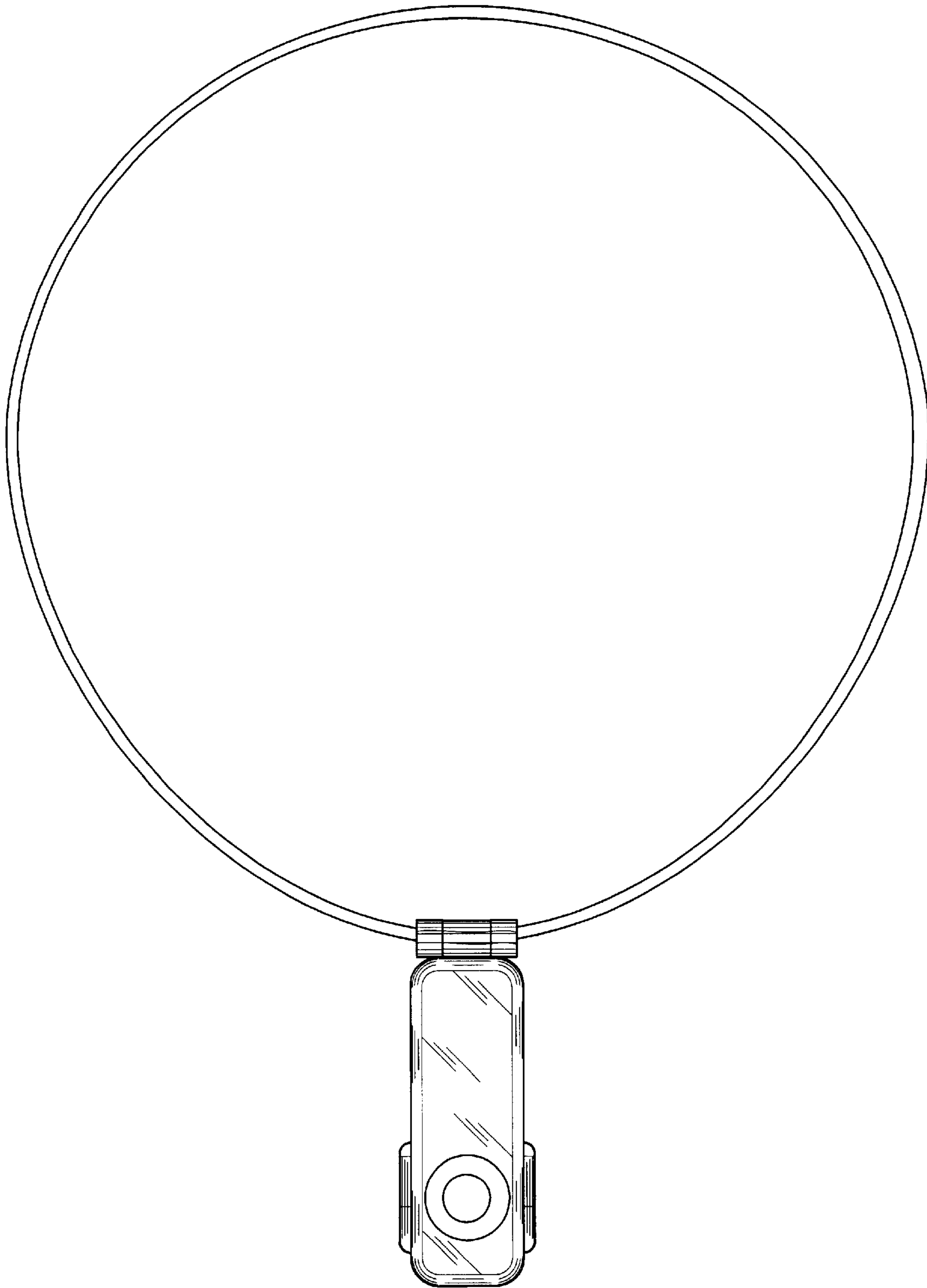


FIG. 13