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(54) **FUEL BRIQUET**

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(57) **CLAIM**

We claim the ornamental design for a fuel briquet, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a top perspective view of a fuel briquet, showing our new design;

FIG. 2 is a bottom perspective view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a right side elevation view thereof;

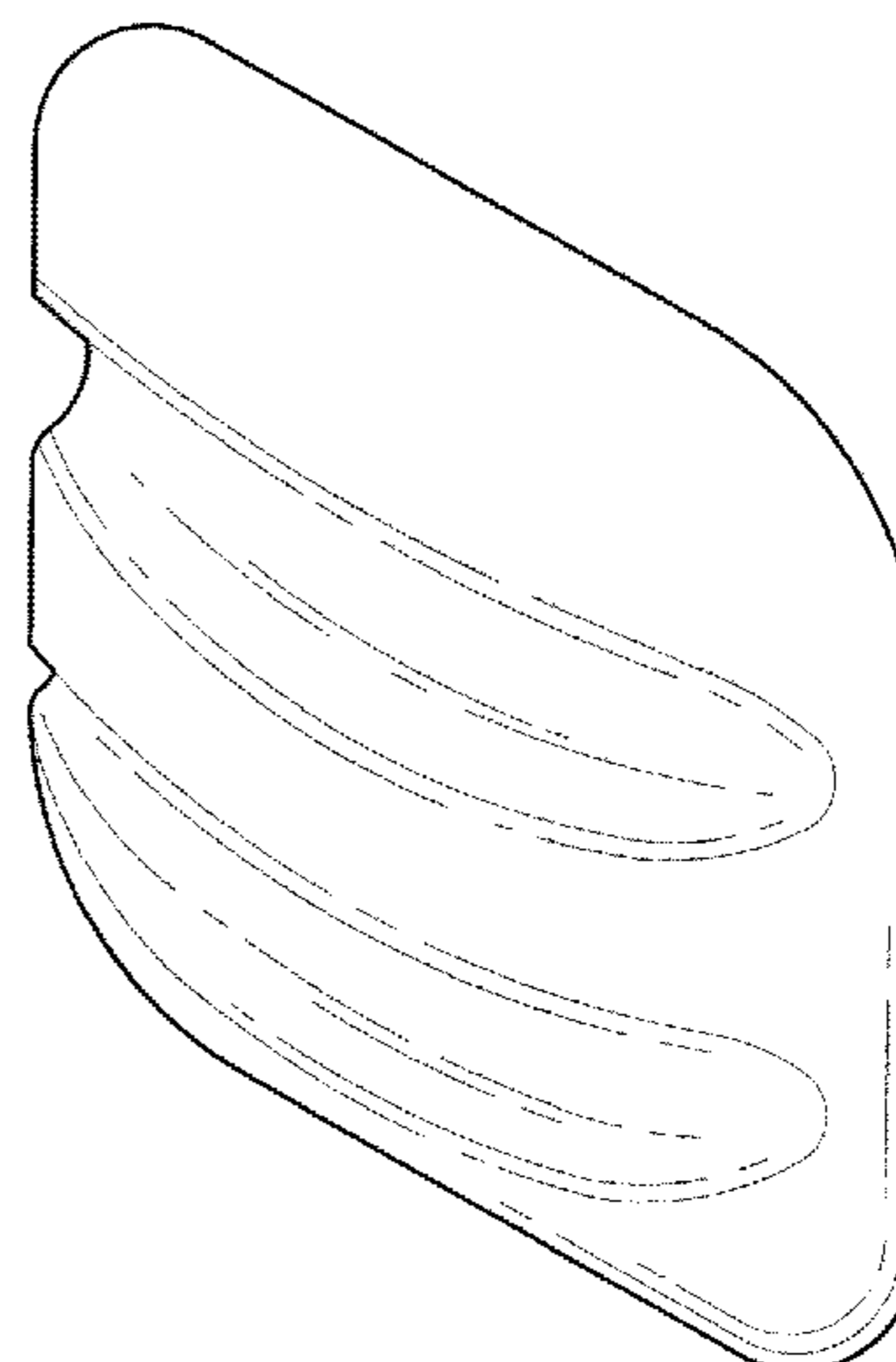
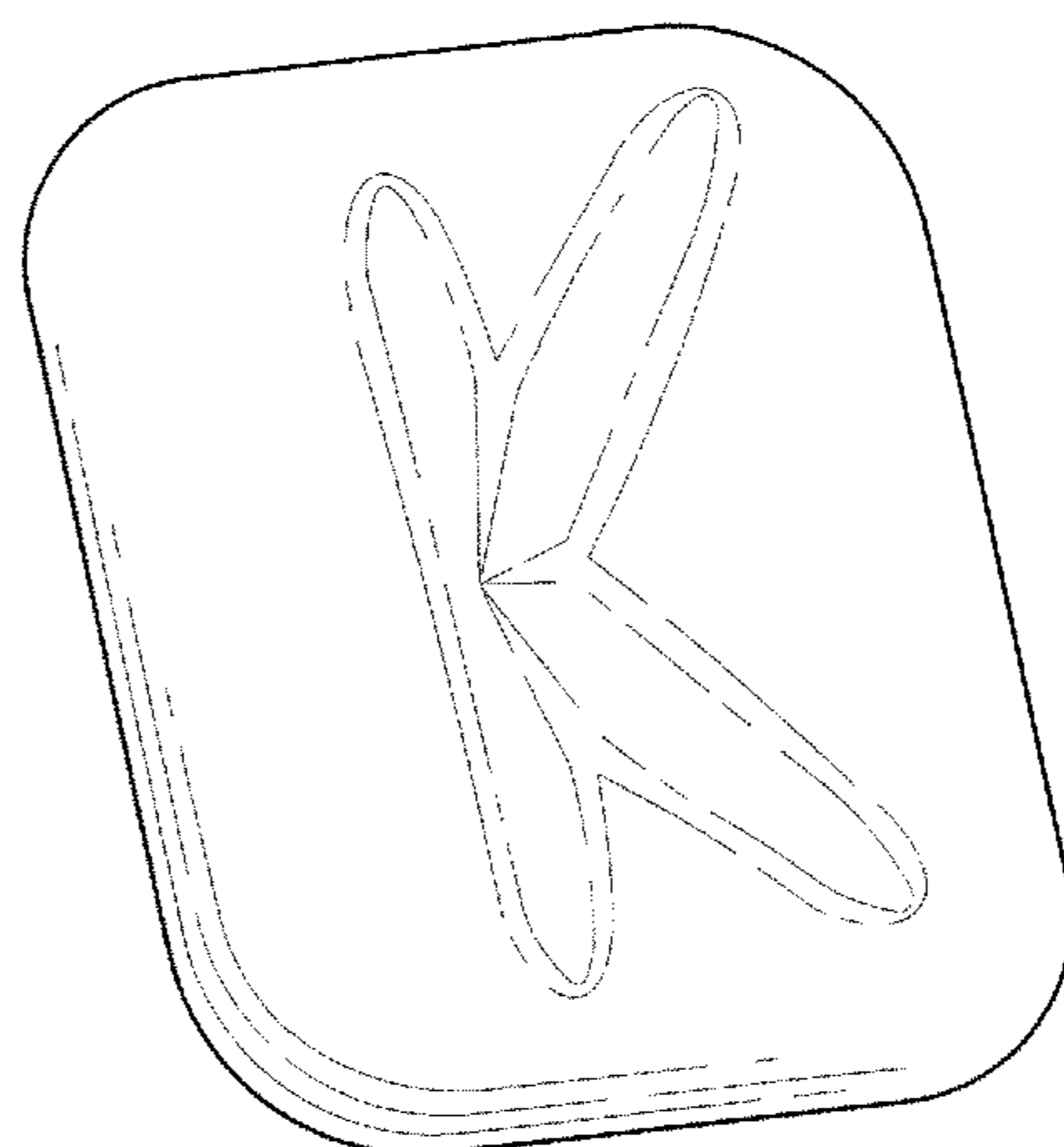
FIG. 6 is a left side elevation view thereof;

FIG. 7 is a front side elevation view thereof; and,

FIG. 8 is a rear side elevation view thereof.

The broken lines showing are for illustrative purposes and form no part of the claimed design.

**1 Claim, 4 Drawing Sheets**



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Markings for bag configured to contain briquets including 3 pages of drawings and text.

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FIG.1

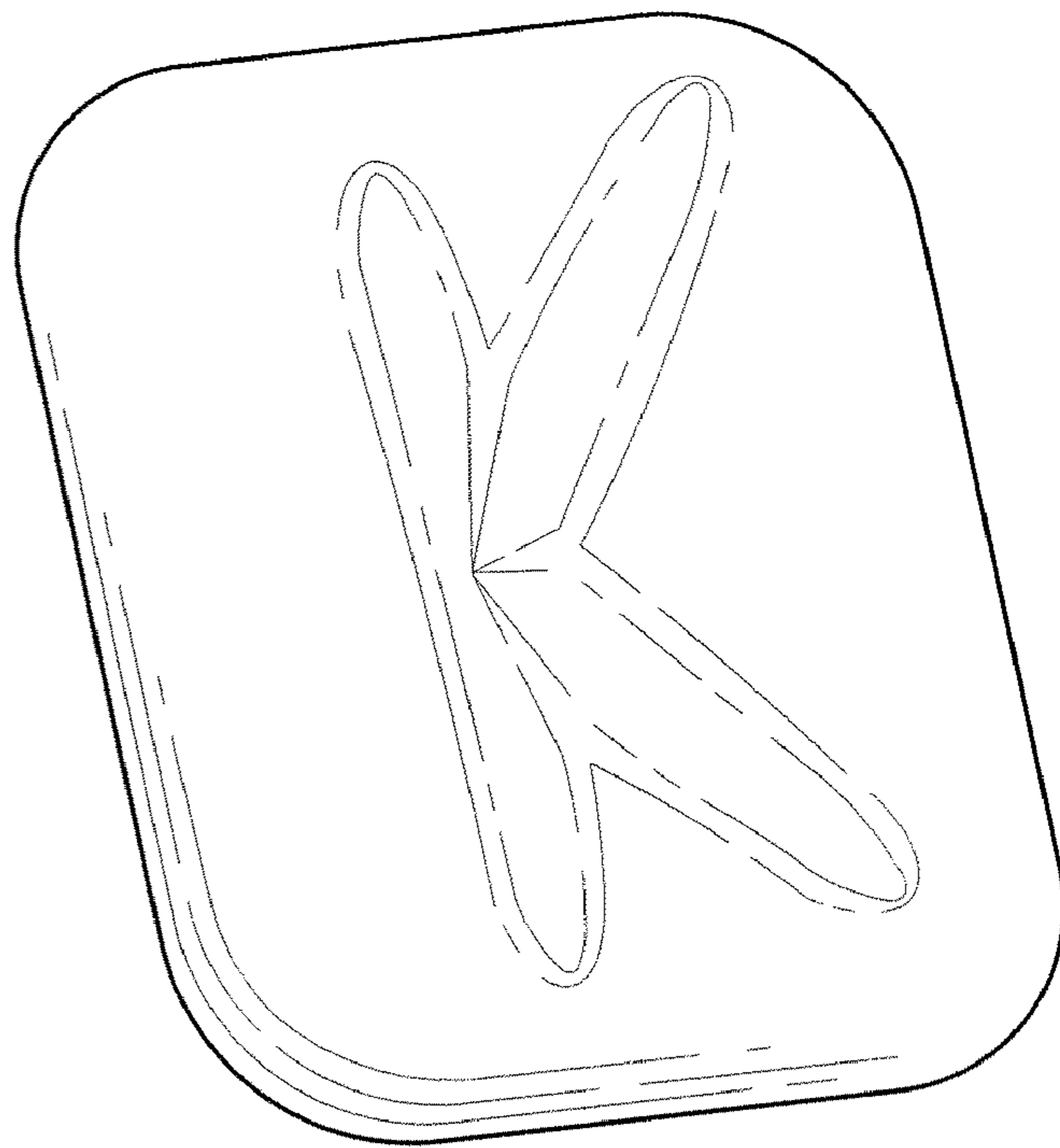
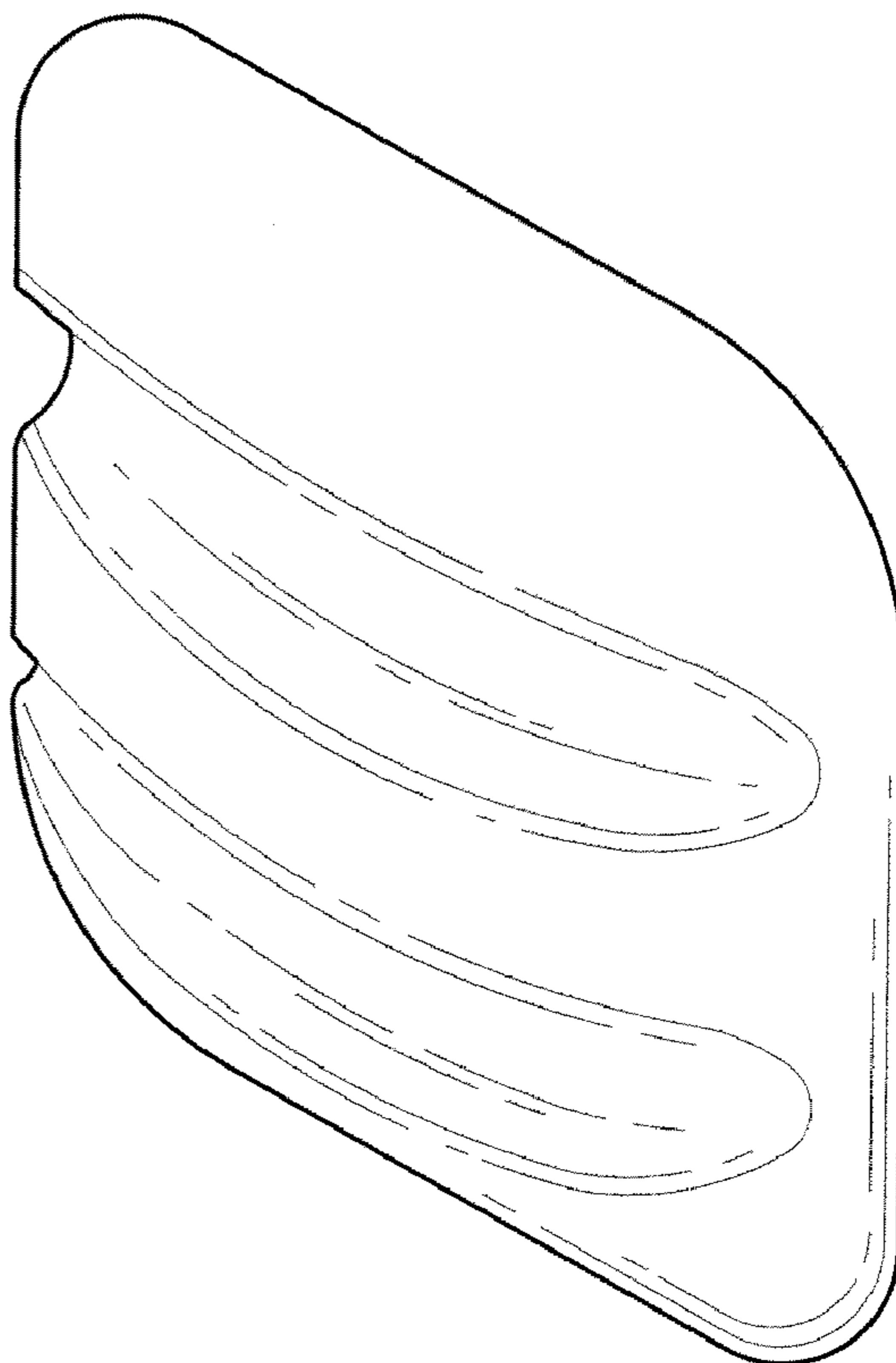


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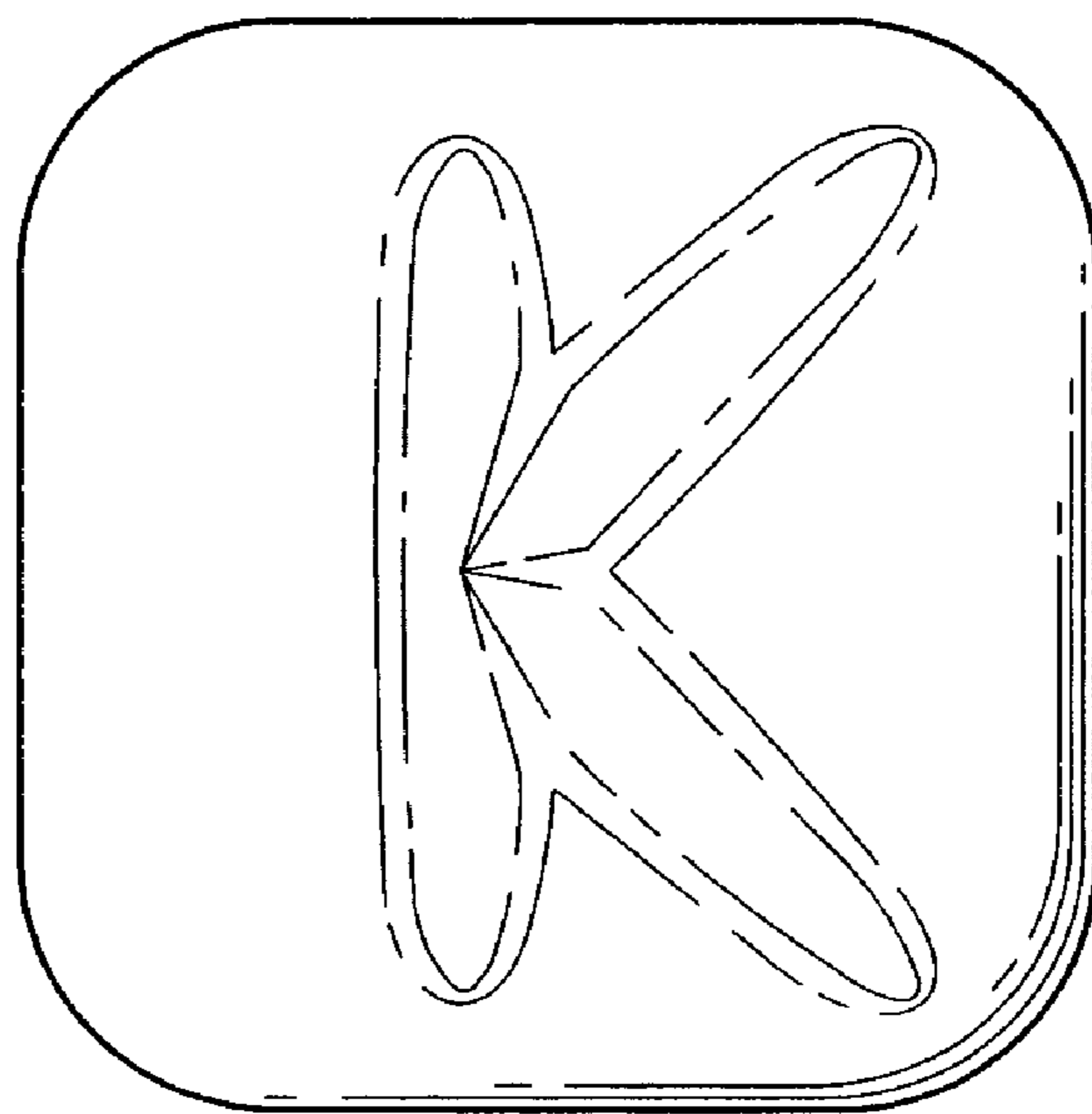


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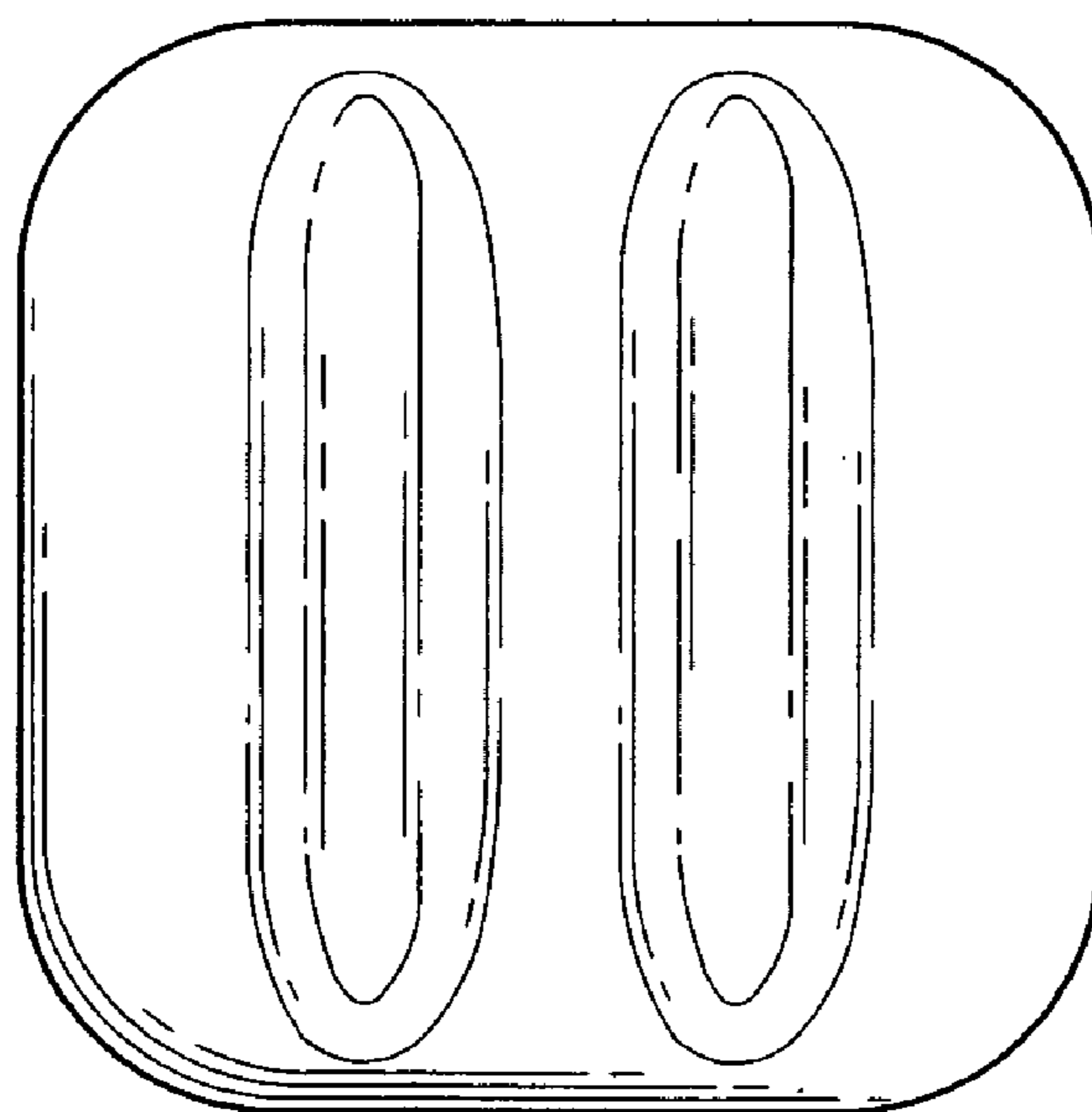


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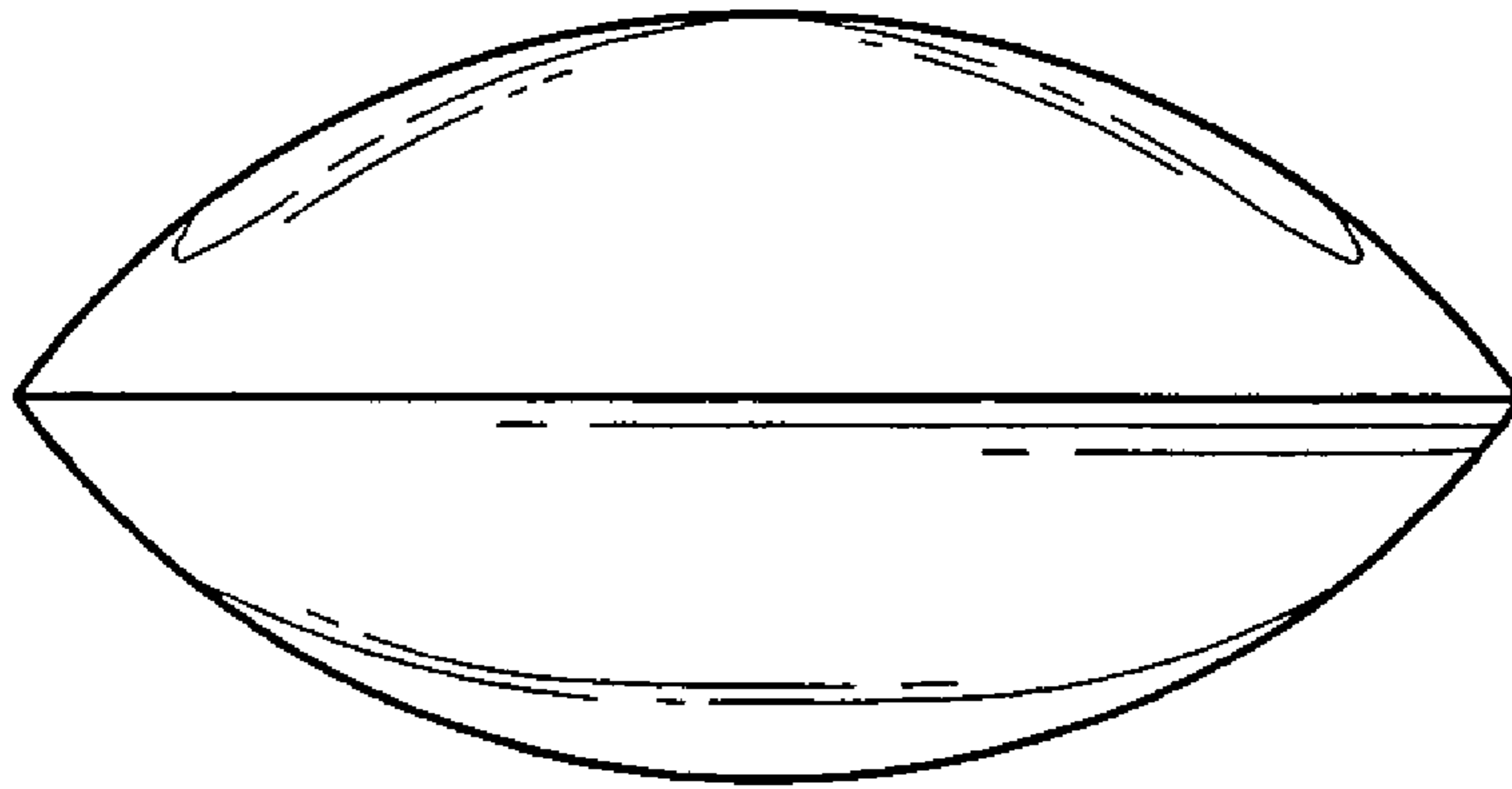


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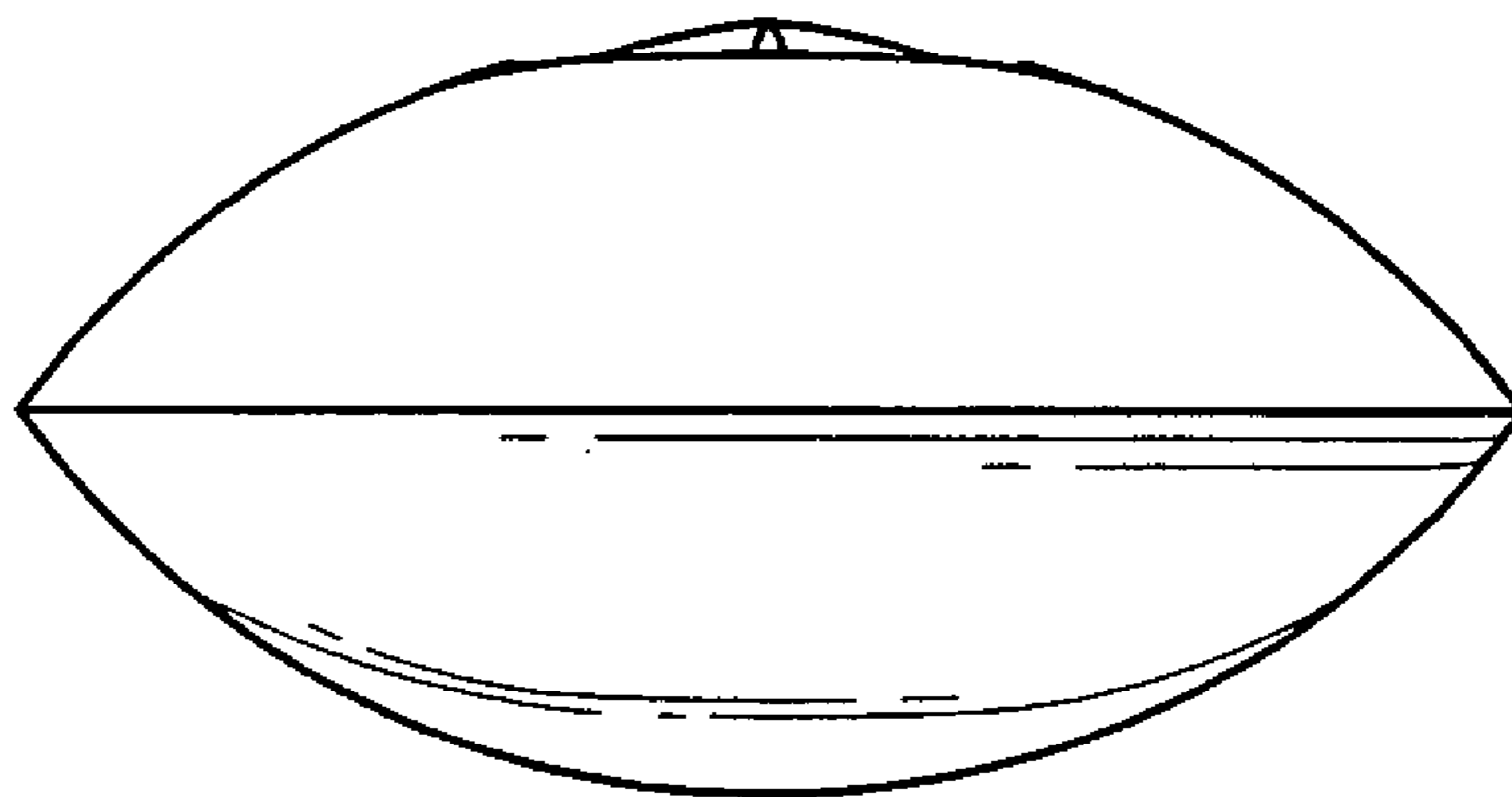


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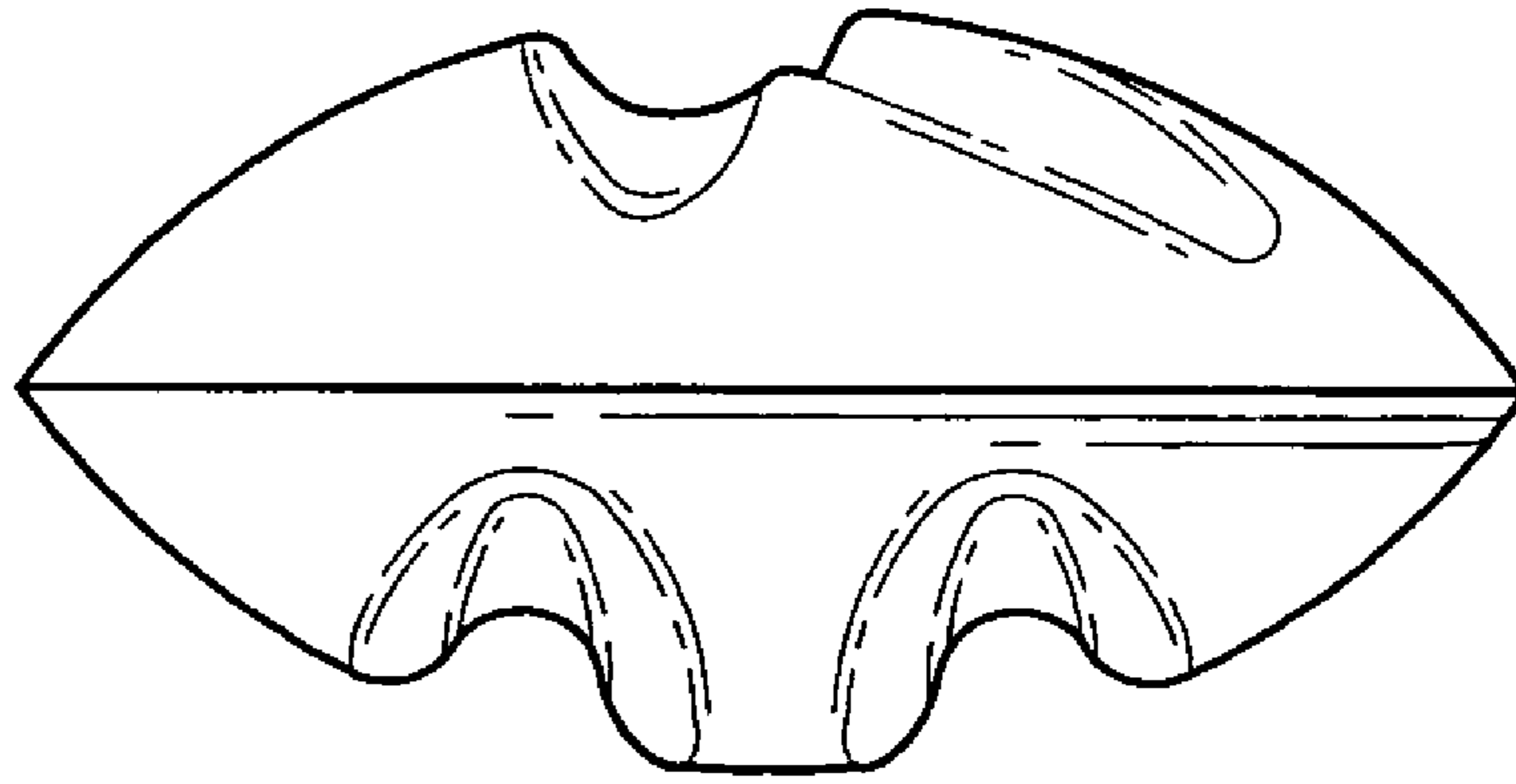


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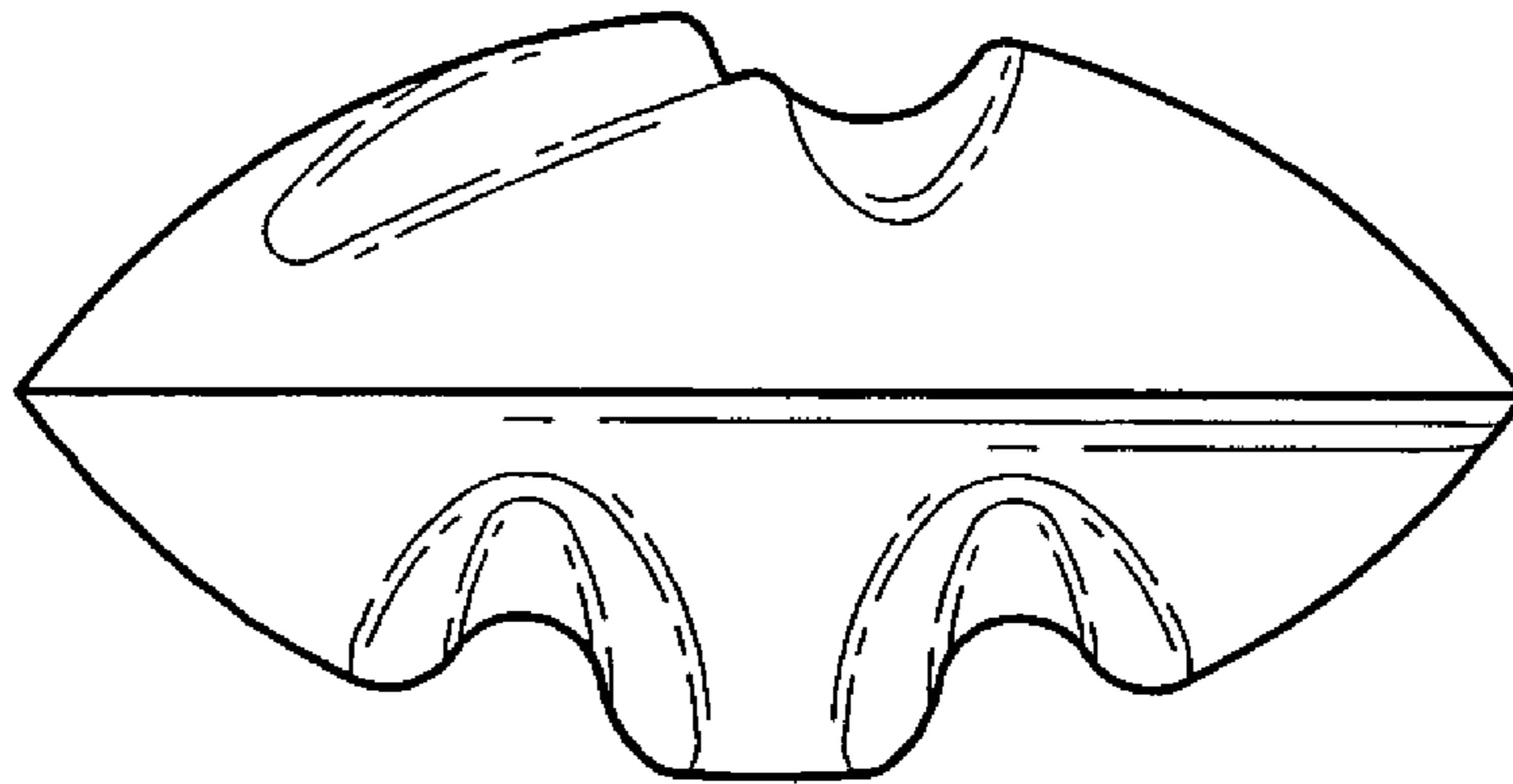


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