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(54) **ANKLE BRACE**

(57) **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for an ankle brace, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a preferred embodiment of the ankle brace according to the present design, the embodiment being configured for application to a right ankle;

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FIG. 2 is a front elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 4 is a left-side elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 5 is a right-side elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 6 is a top plan view of the ankle brace of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 7 is a bottom plan view of the ankle brace of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 8 is a front perspective view of another preferred embodiment of the ankle brace according to the present design, the embodiment being configured for application to a left ankle and being a mirror image of the ankle brace of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 9 is a front elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 8;

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FIG. 10 is a rear elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 8;

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FIG. 11 is a left-side elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 8;

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FIG. 12 is a right-side elevational view of the ankle brace of FIG. 8;

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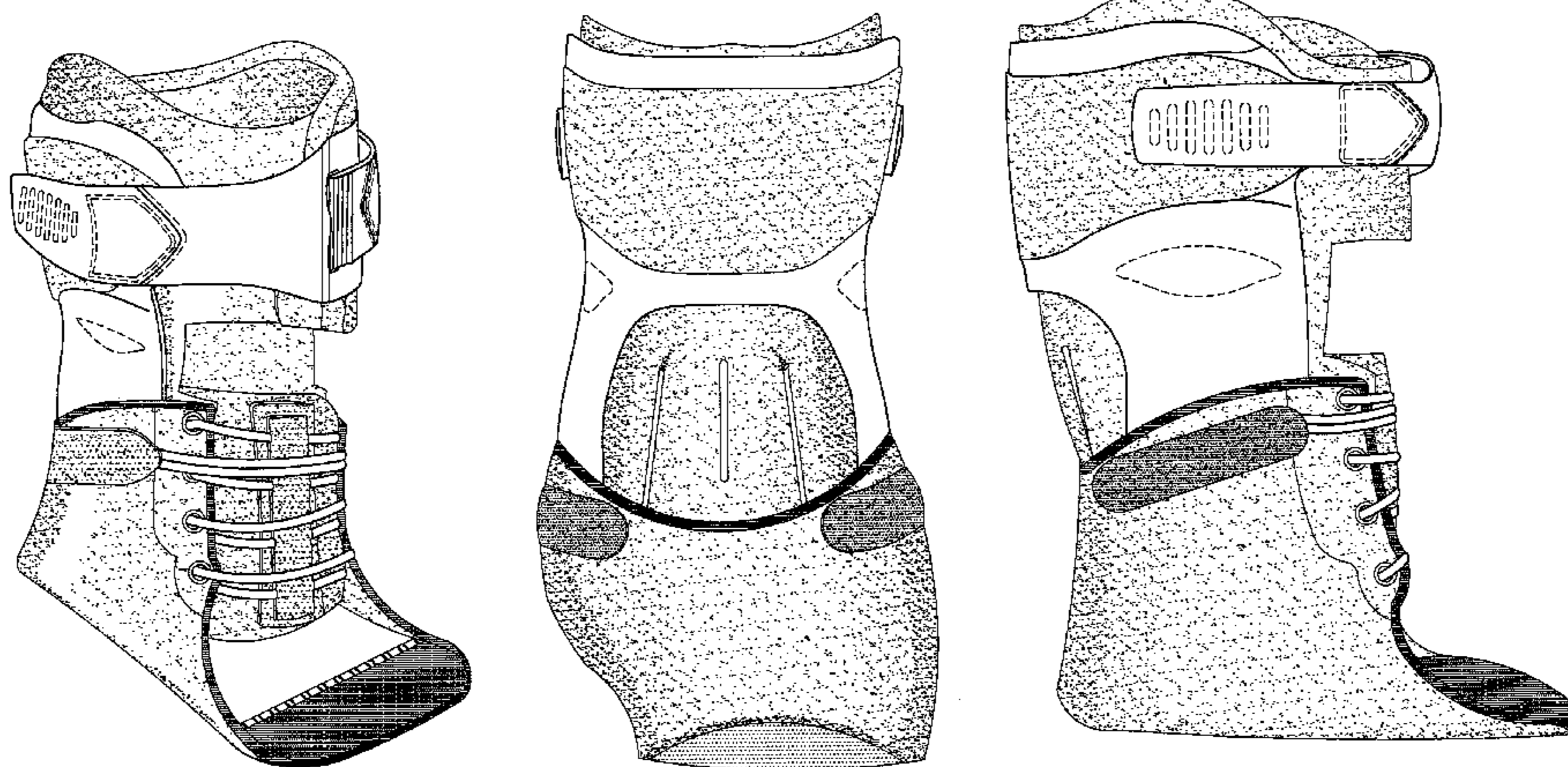
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FIG. 13 is a top plan view of the ankle brace of FIG. 8; and,
FIG. 14 is a bottom plan view of the ankle brace of FIG. 8.

The broken line showing of structural details is included for the pupose of illustrating environment and forms no part of the claimed design.

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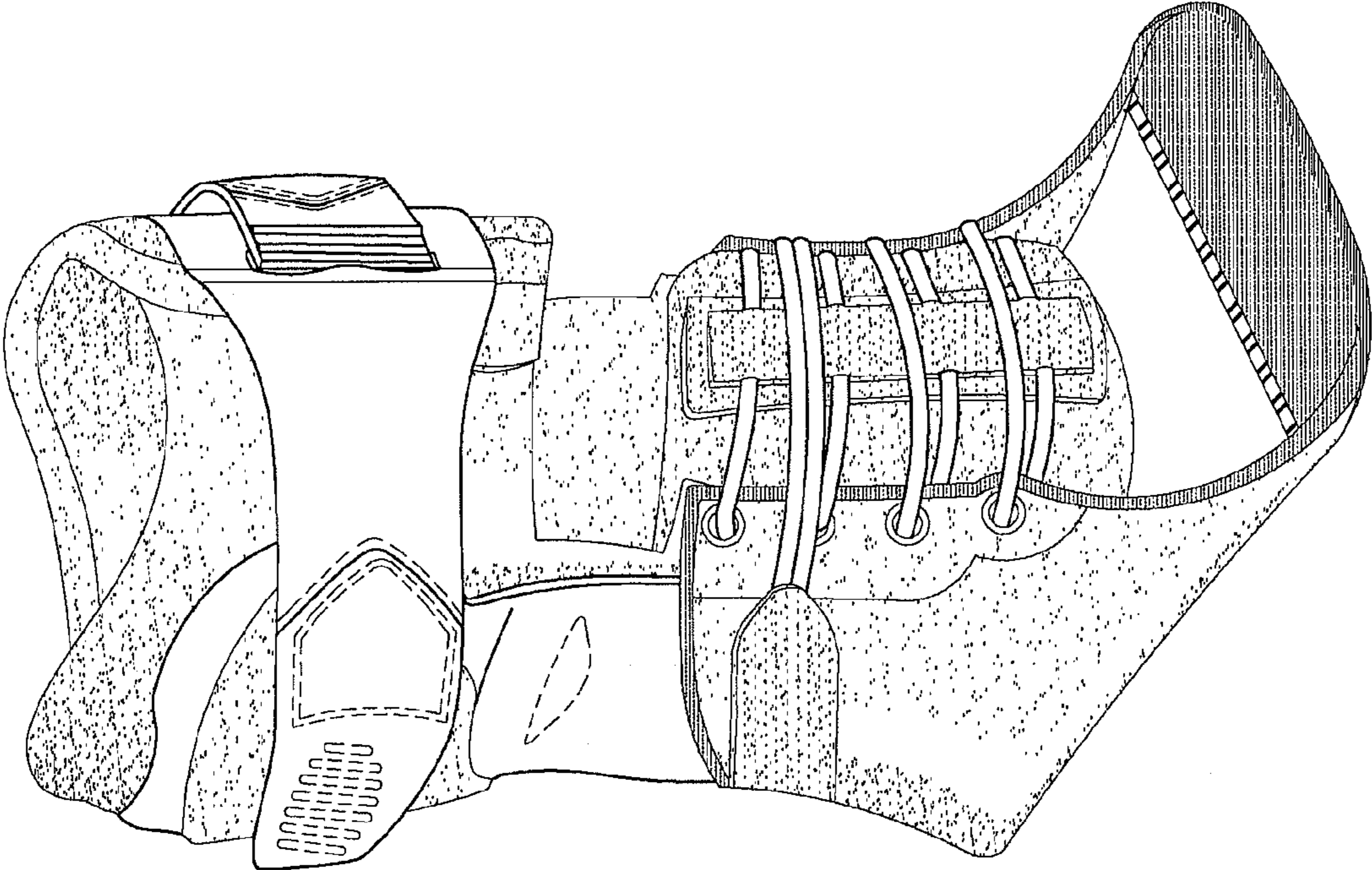


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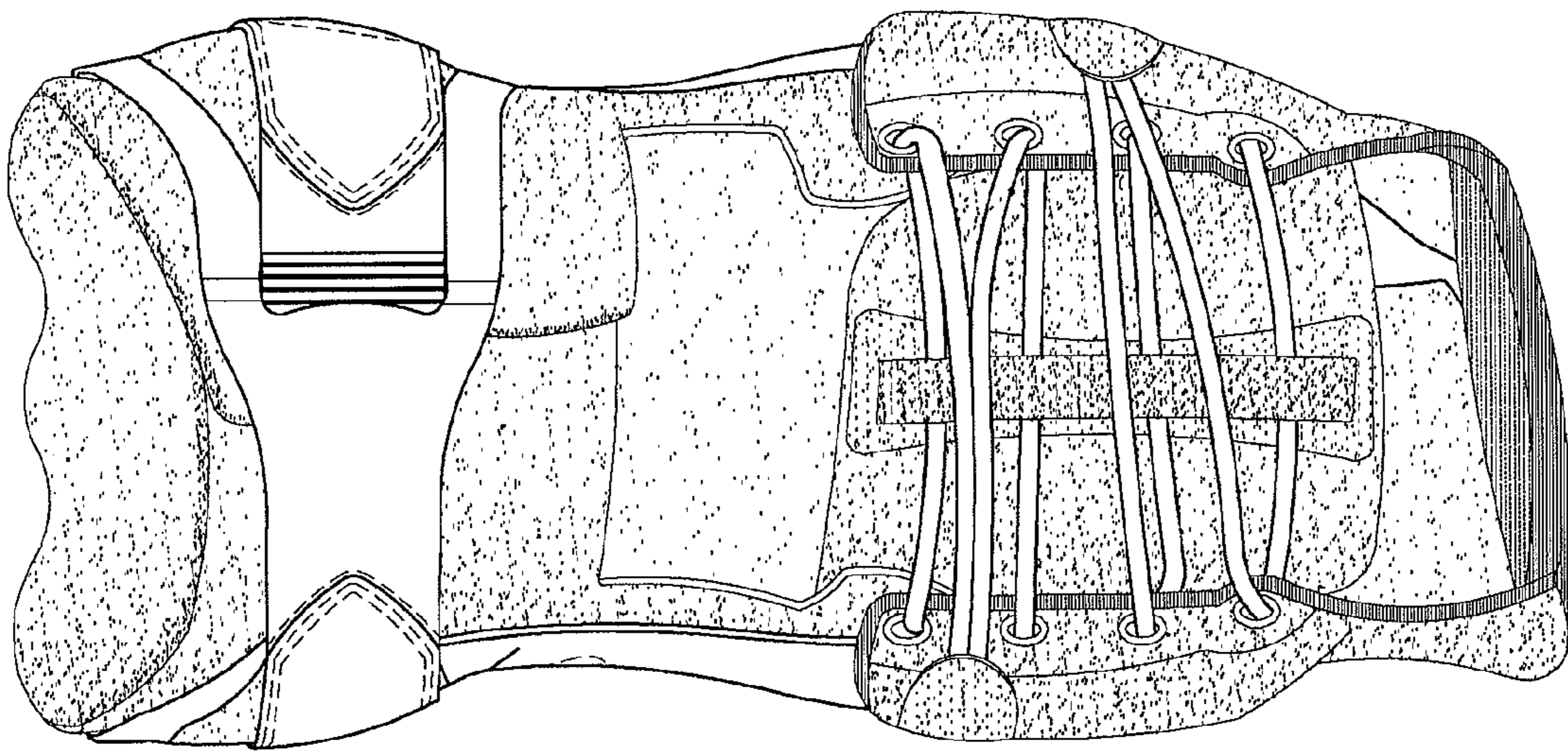


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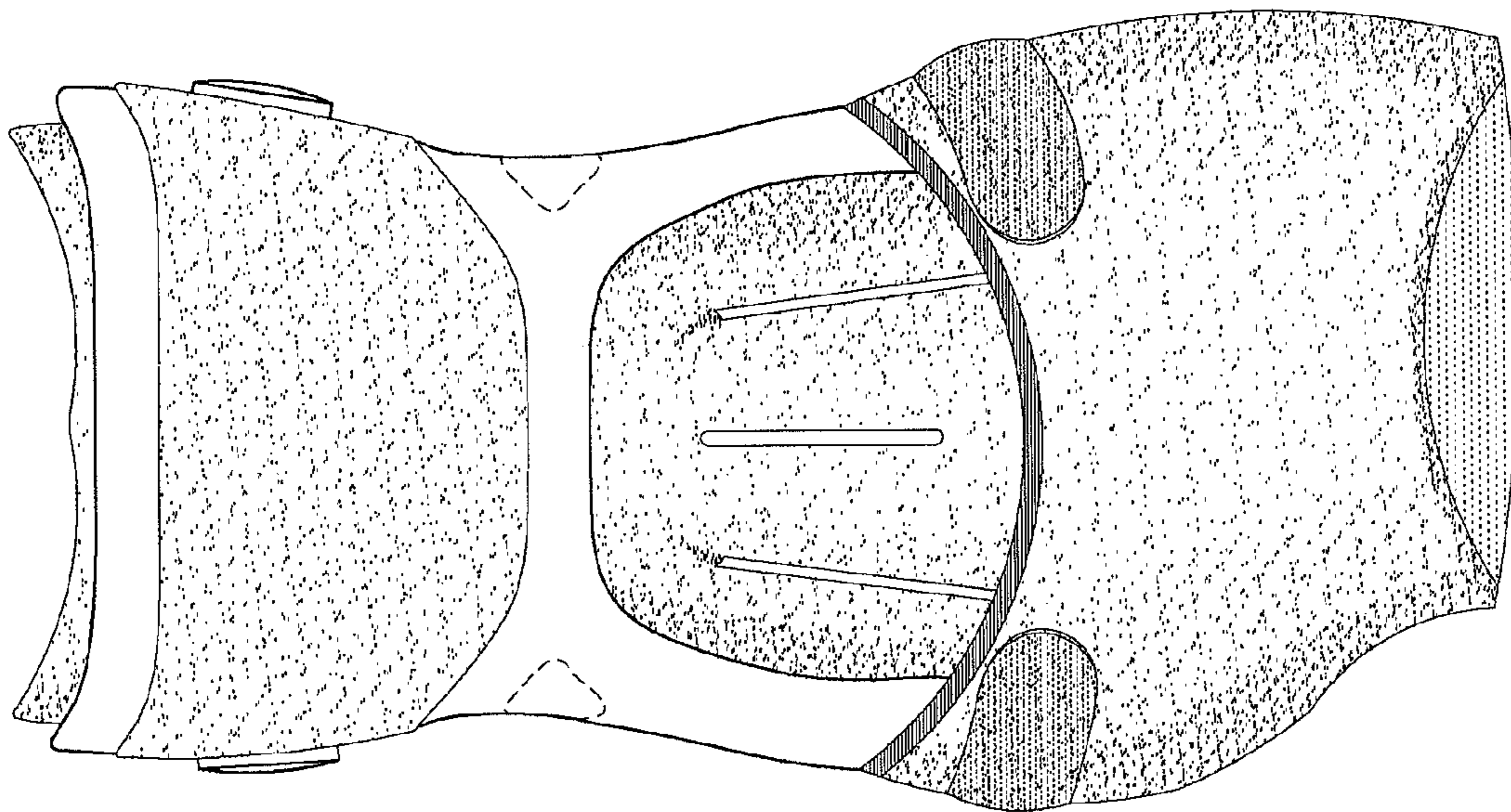


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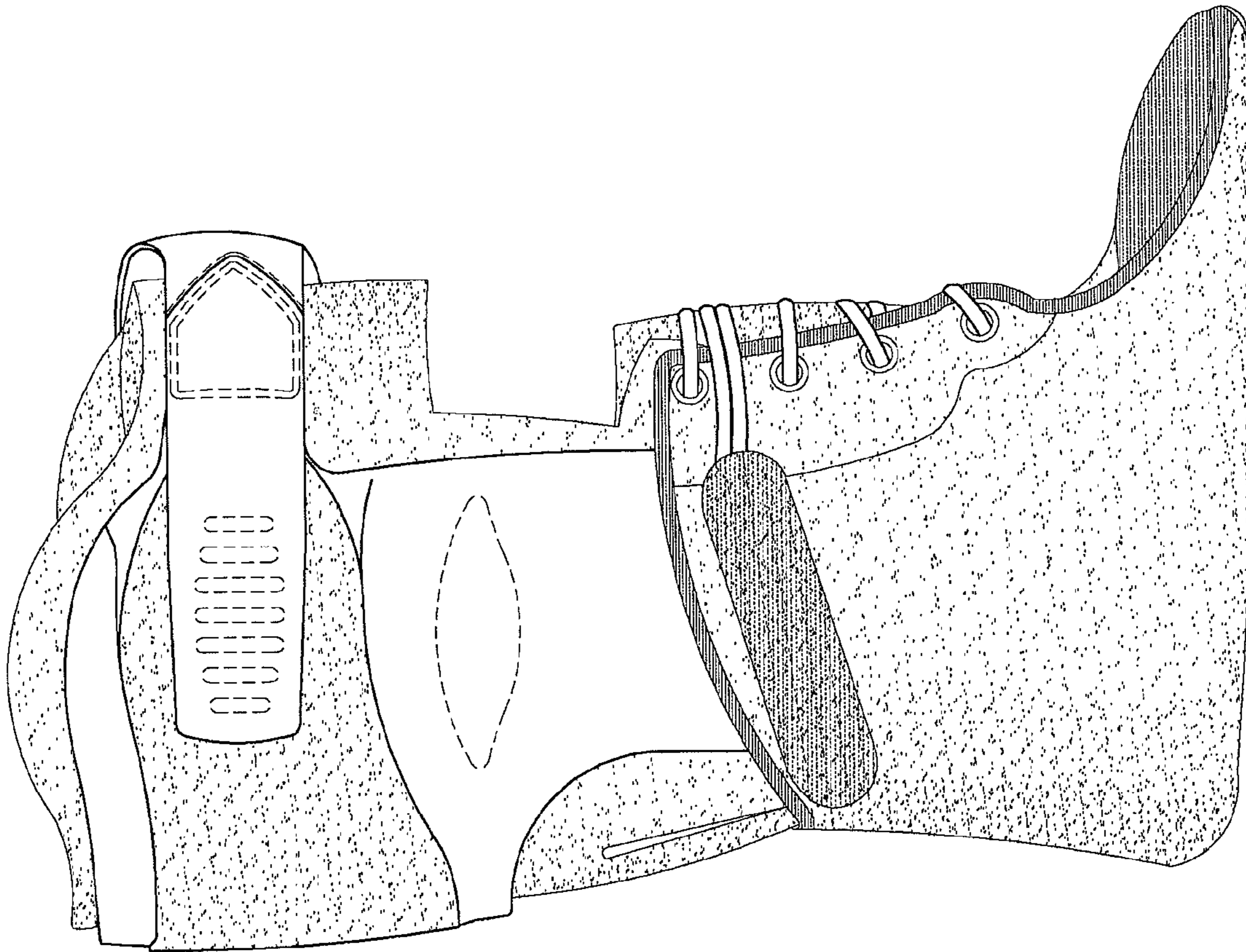


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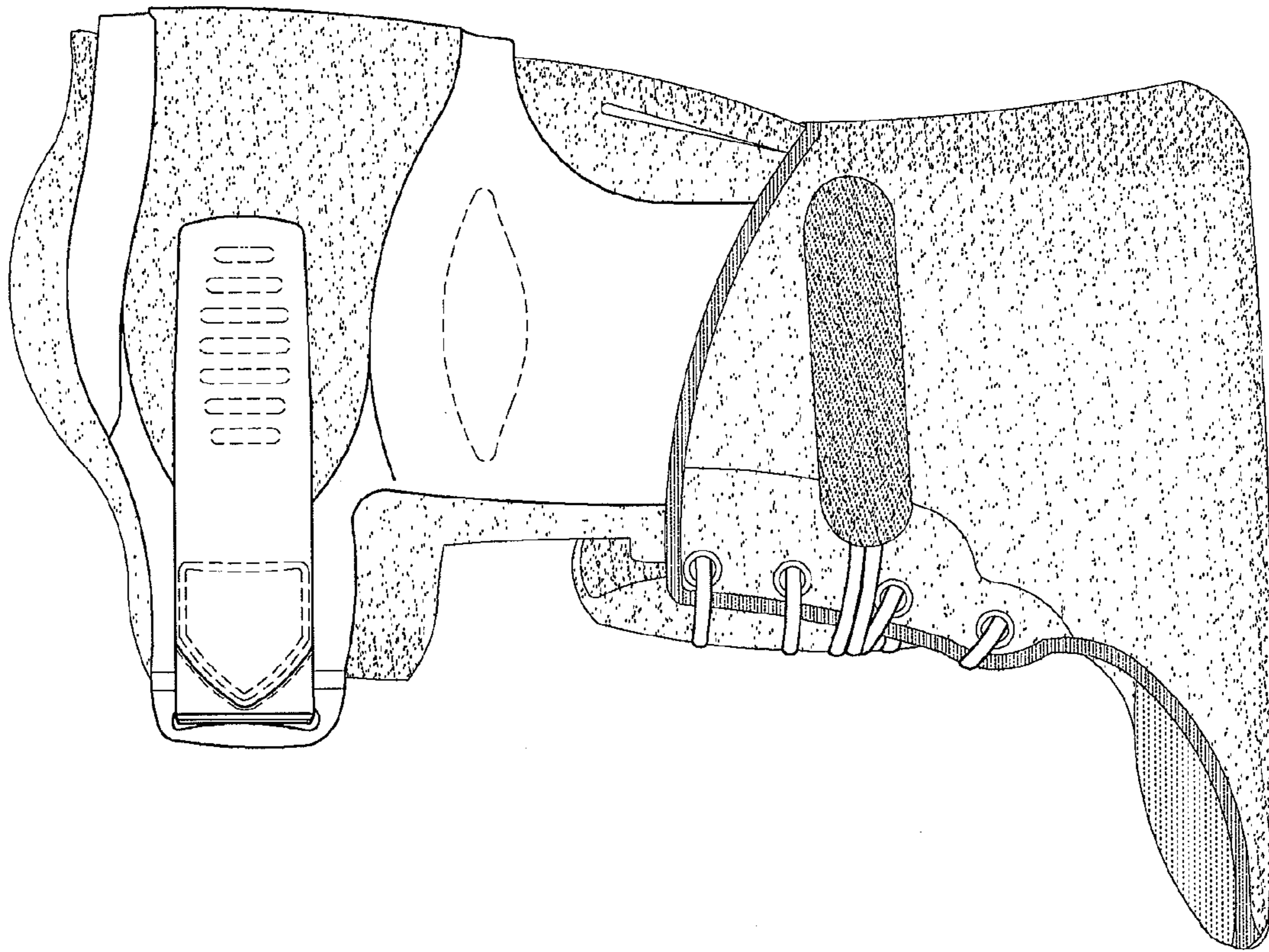


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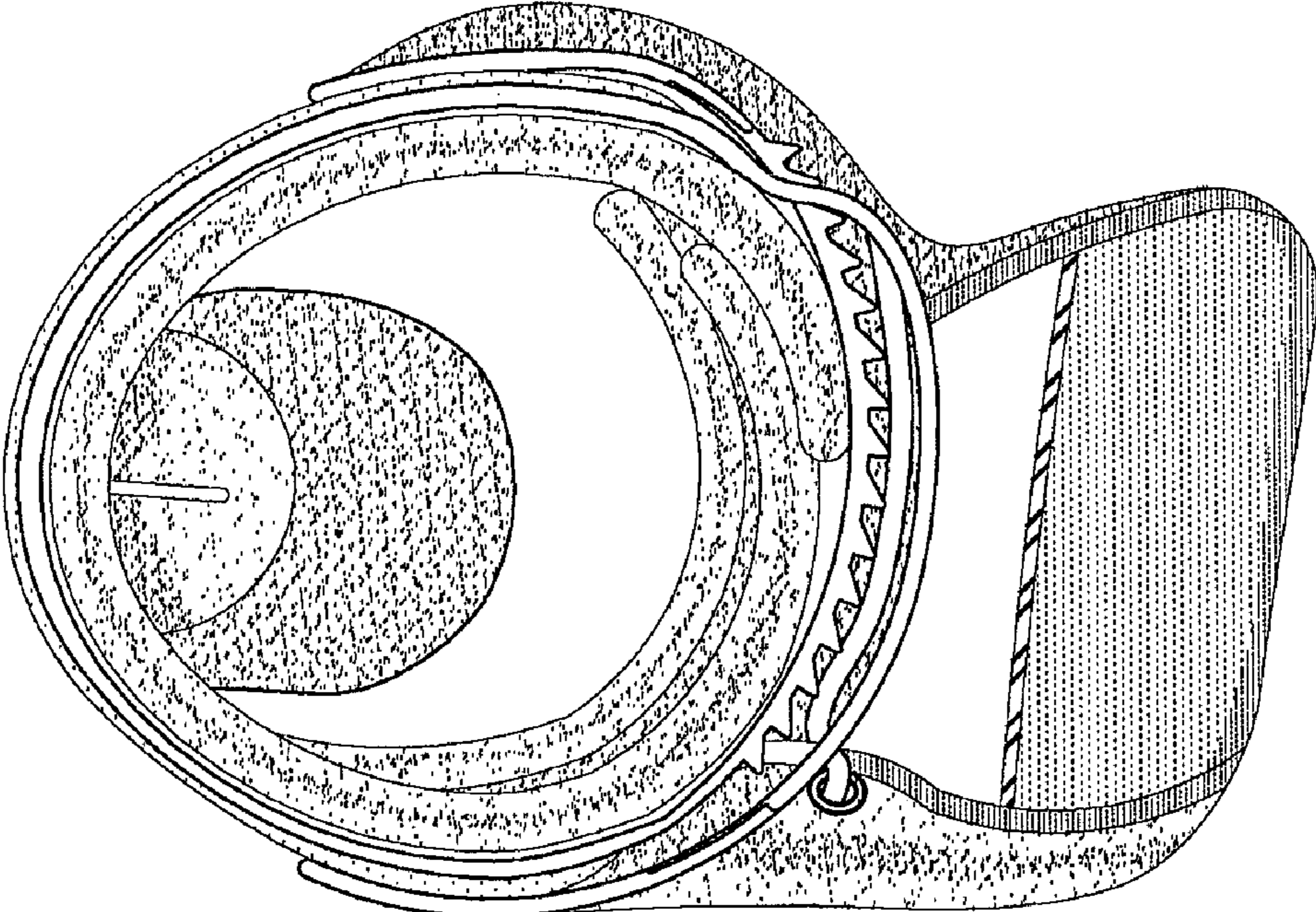


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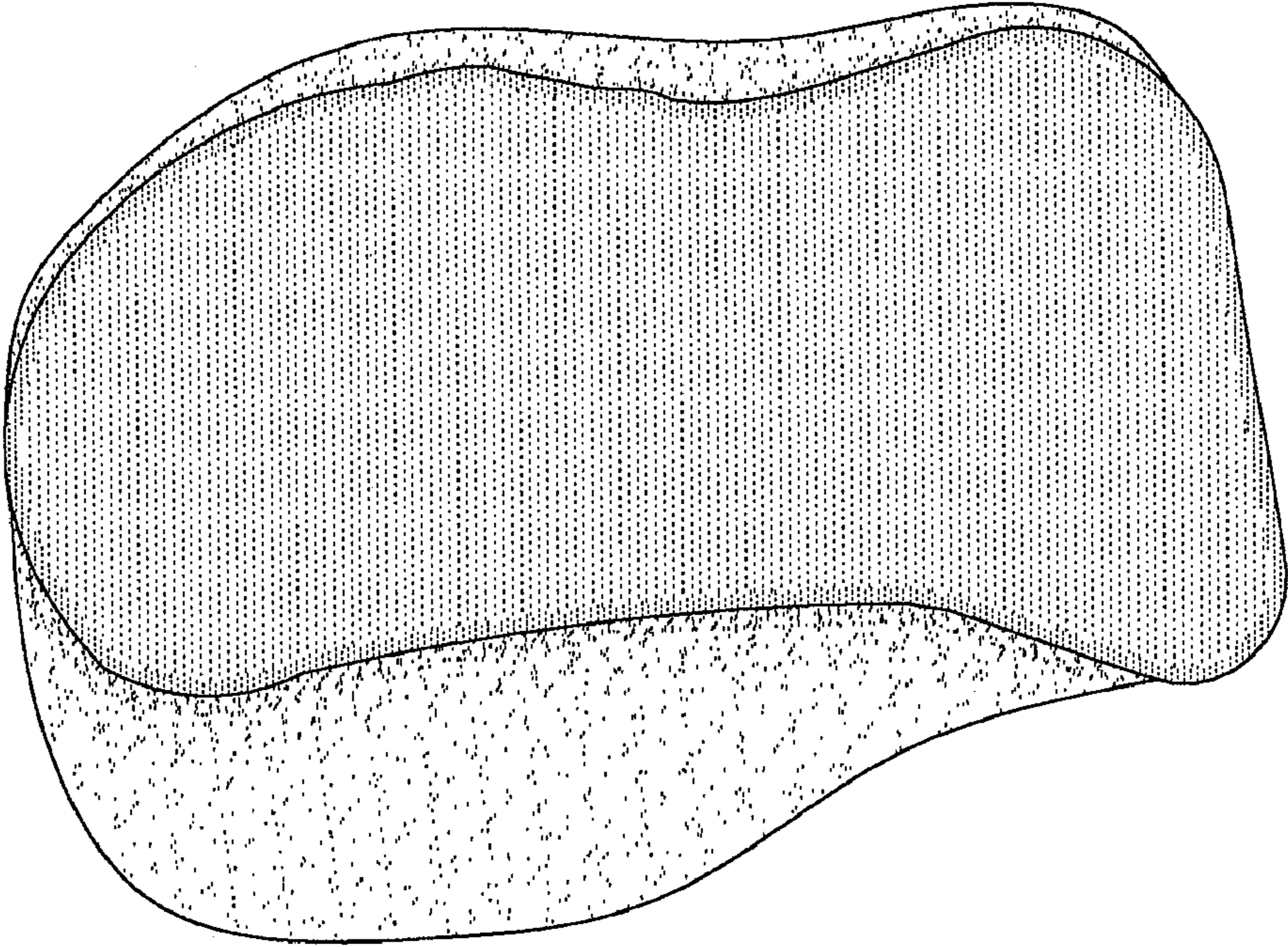


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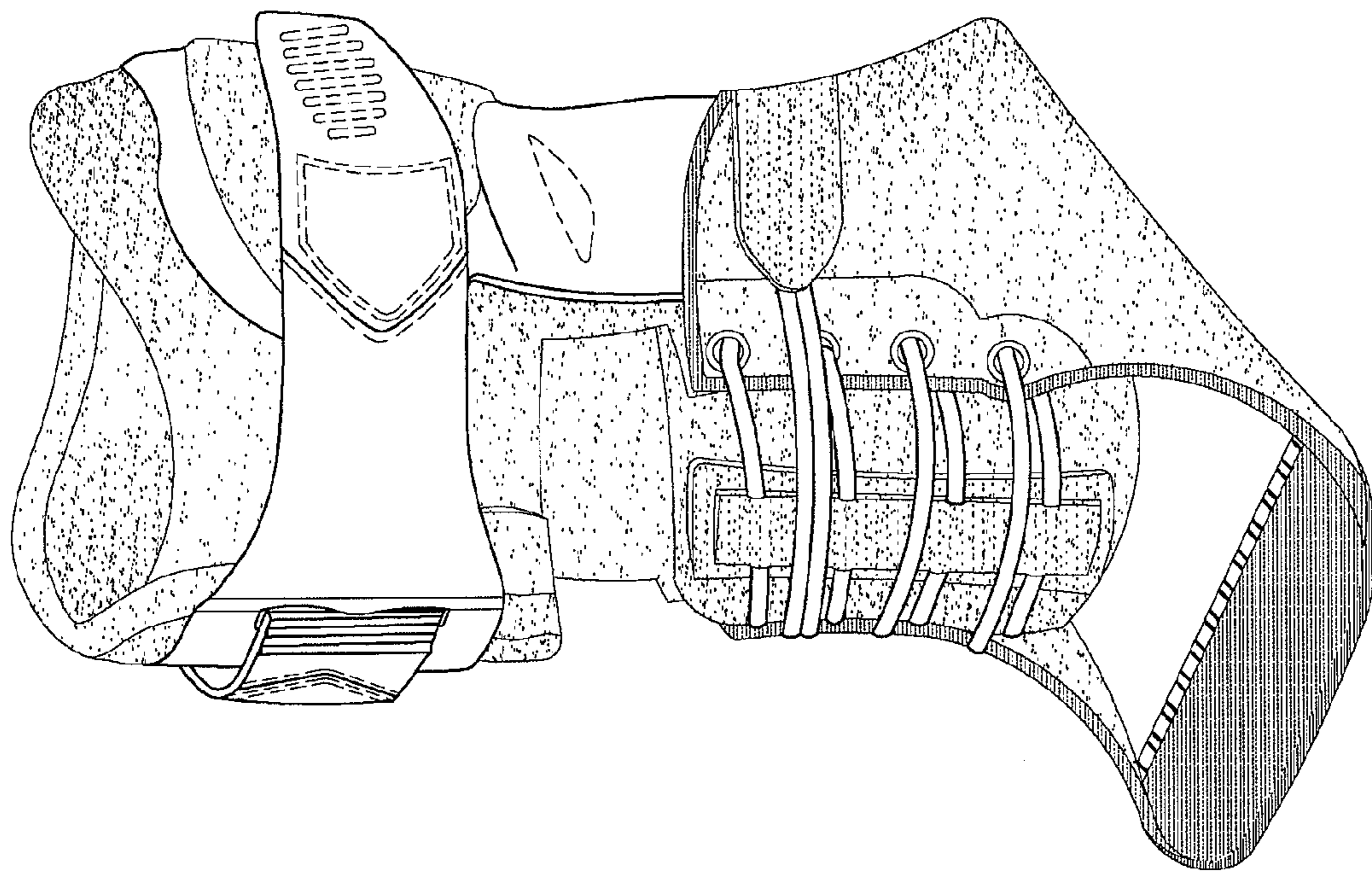


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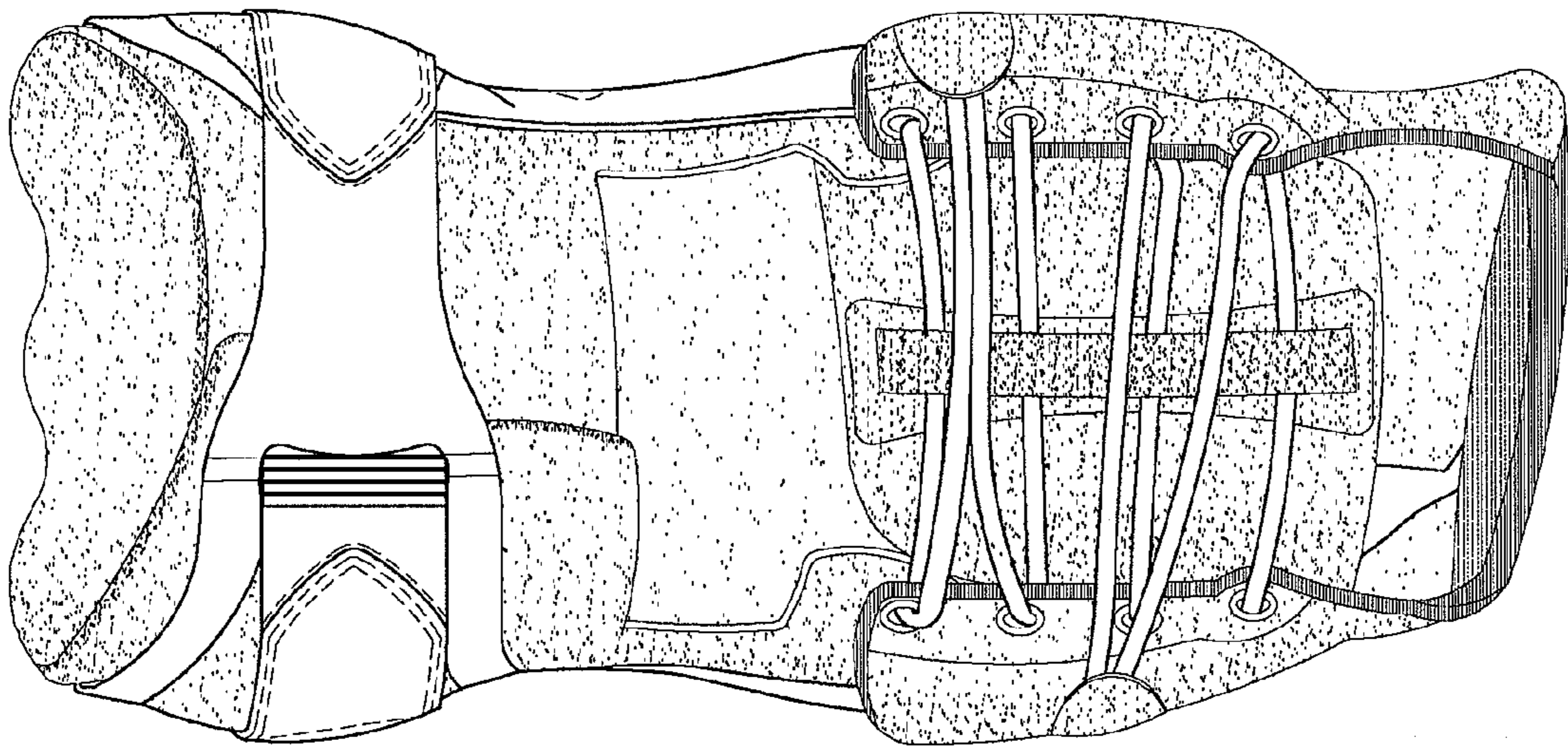


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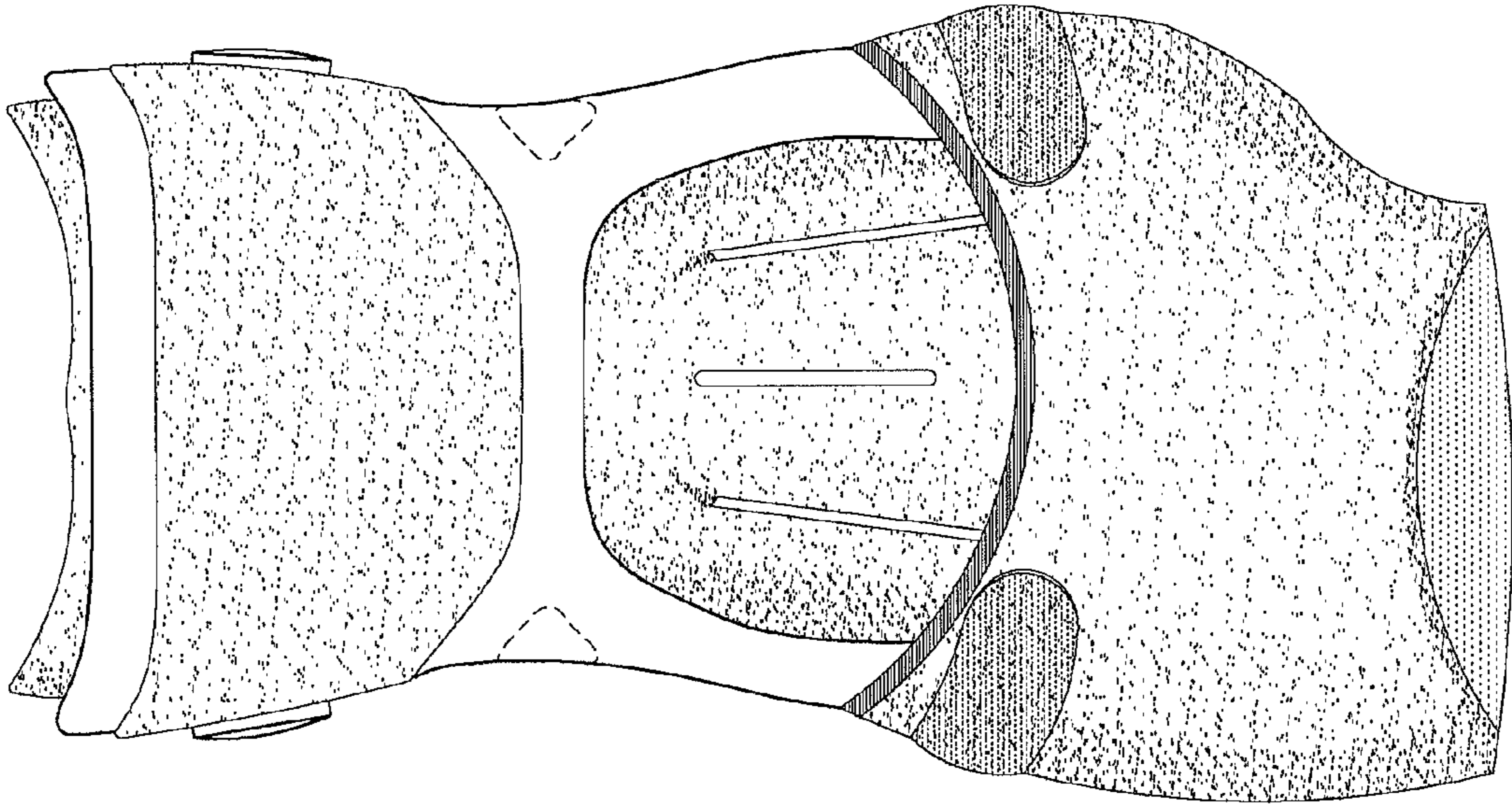


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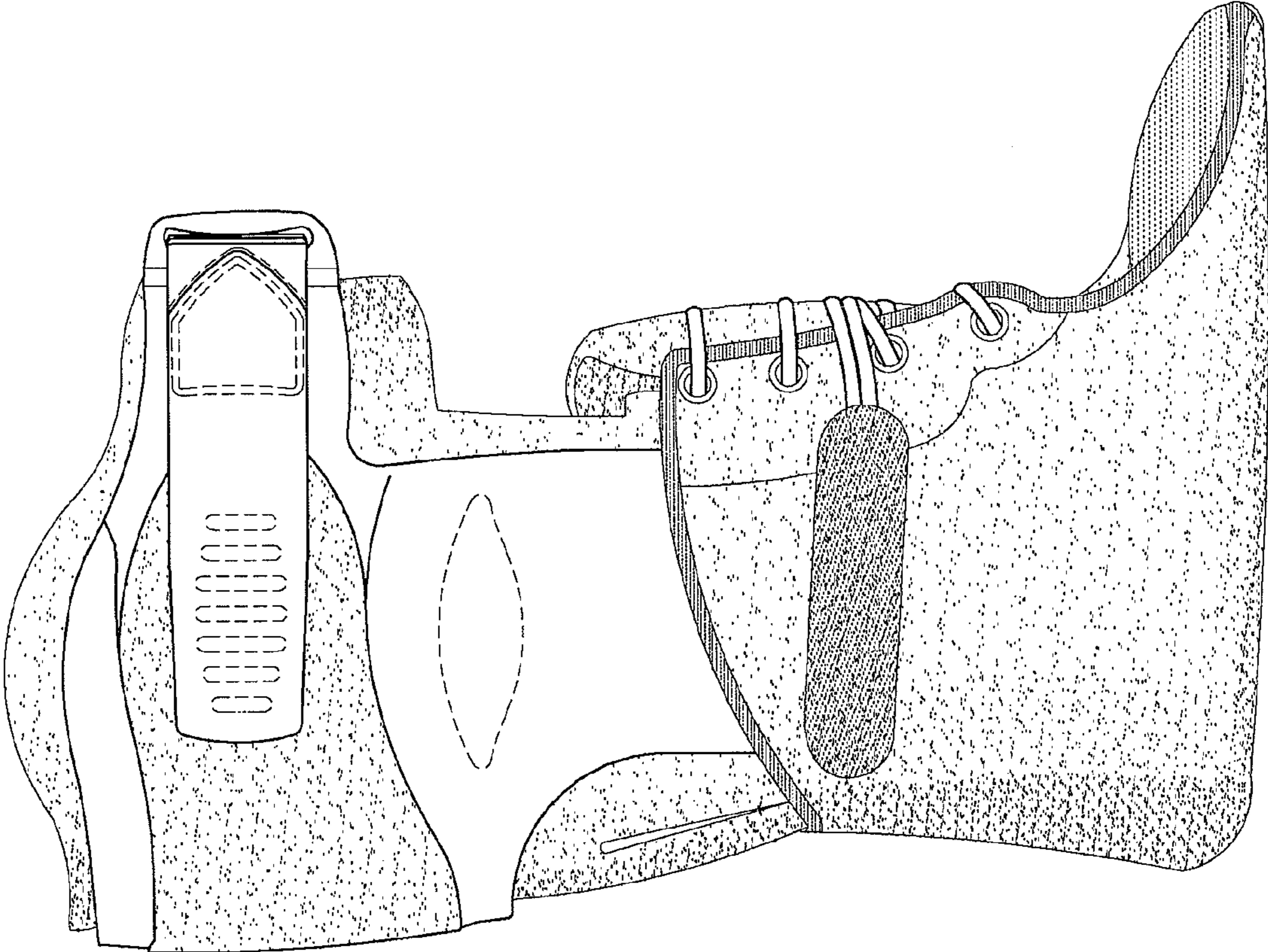


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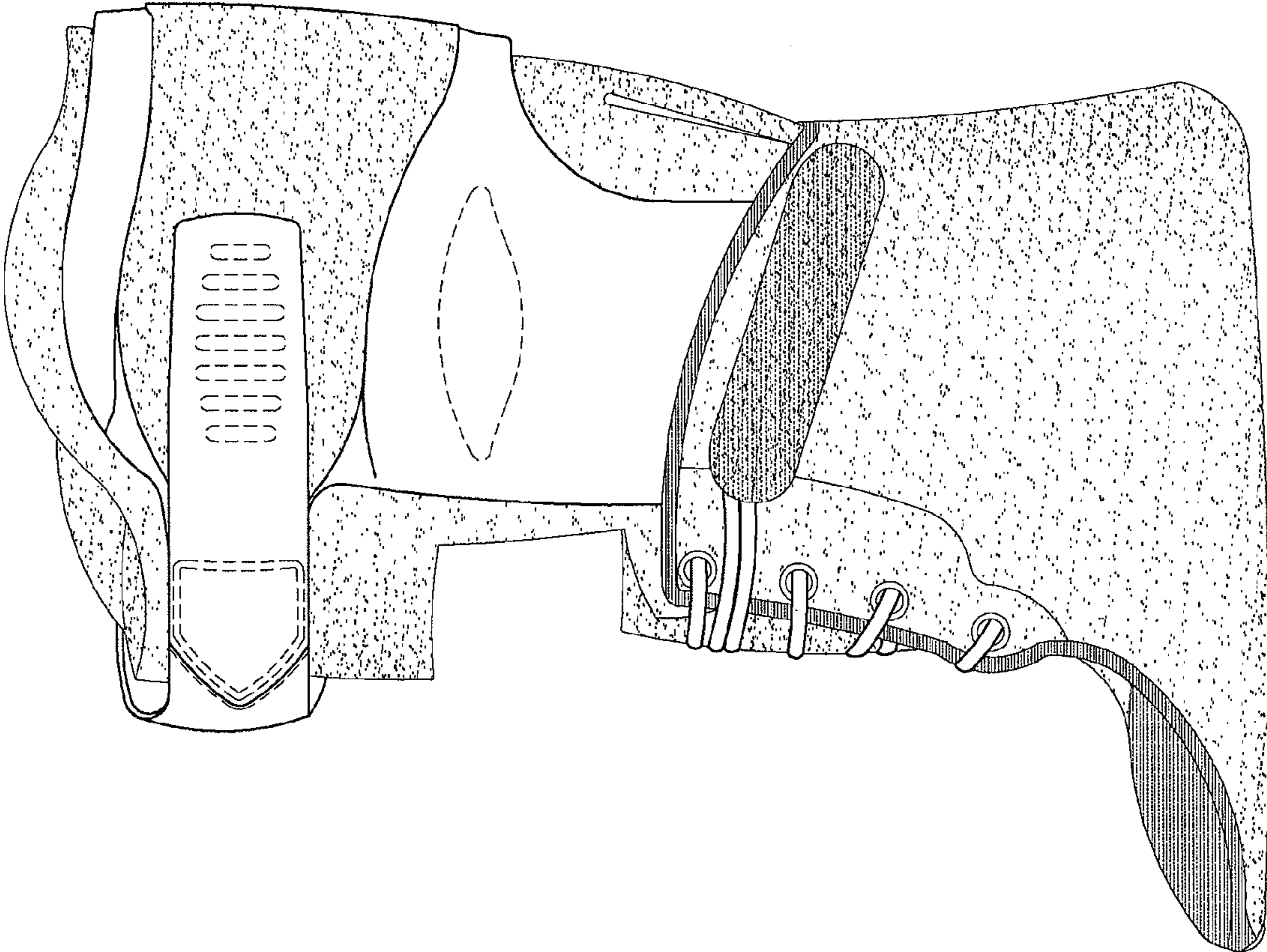


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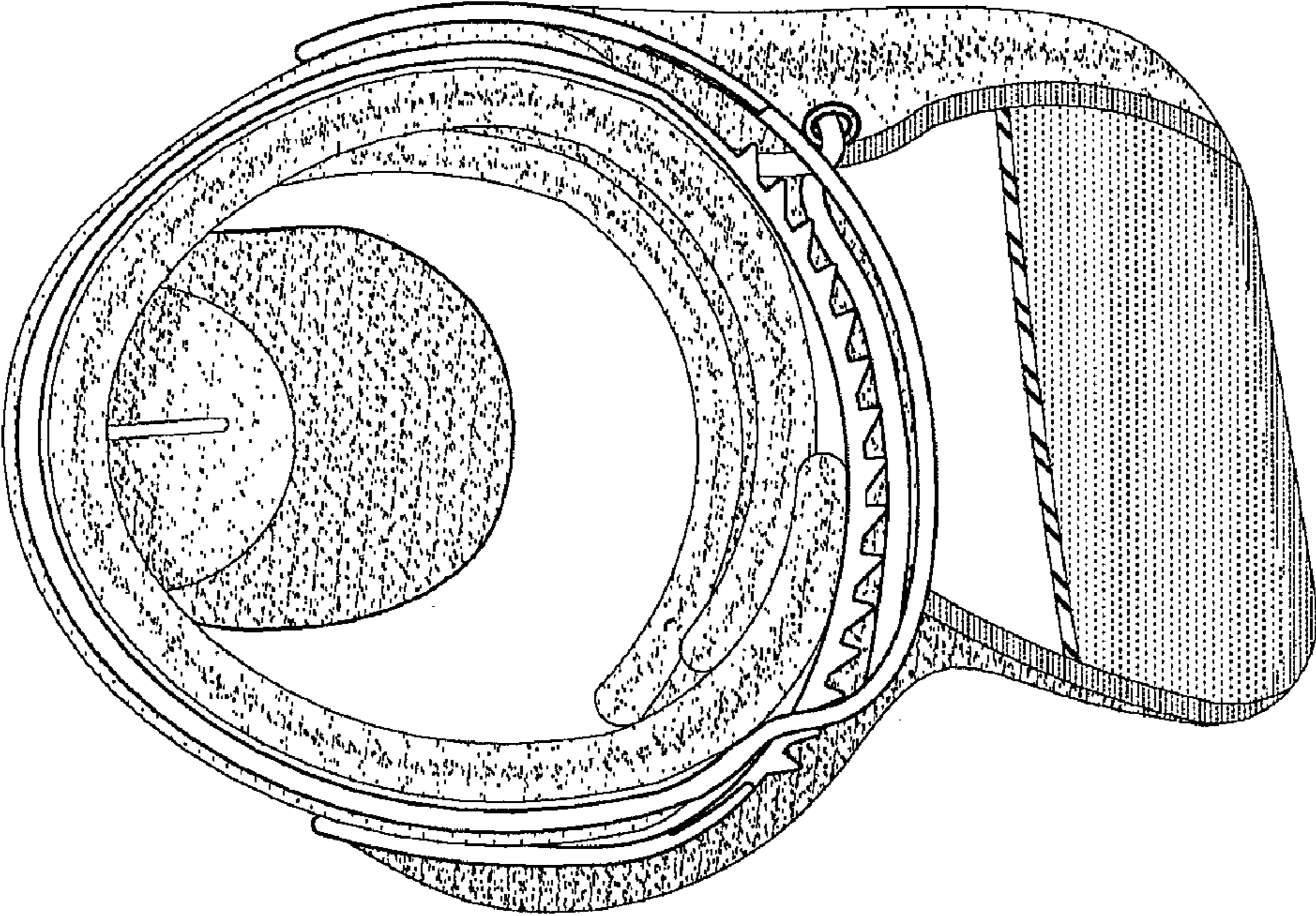


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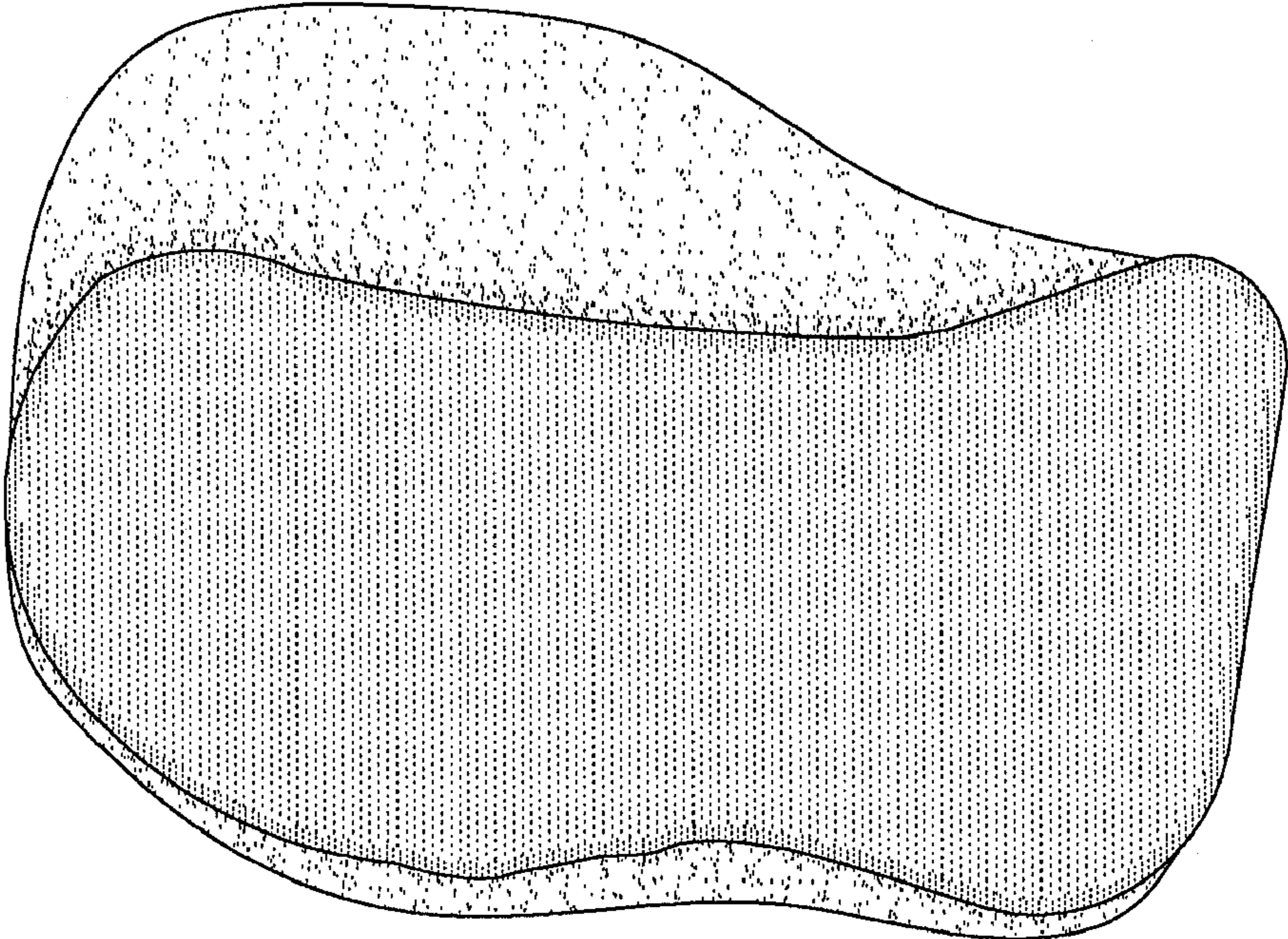


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