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(54) **DECO GAUGE CLUSTER FACEPLATE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a deco gauge cluster faceplate, as shown and described.

(**) **Term:** **14 Years**

DESCRIPTION

My deco gauge cluster faceplate is designed to fit into the original instrument panel location in 1940 Ford autos and 1940–1947 Ford pickup trucks. It enables the use of modern electronic gauges while maintaining an art deco style that is consistent with the original Ford dash.

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FIG. 1 is a front view of a deco gauge cluster faceplate, showing my new design;

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FIG. 2 is a rear view thereof;

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FIG. 3 is a front perspective view thereof; and,

FIG. 4 is a rear perspective view thereof.

See application file for complete search history.

My deco gauge cluster faceplate is characterized by the following:

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1—The opening in the faceplate for the speedometer is cut as a full circle.

2—The opening in the faceplate for each of the 4 supporting gauges are cut as a $\frac{2}{3}$ circle, thus creating an uncluttered appearance.

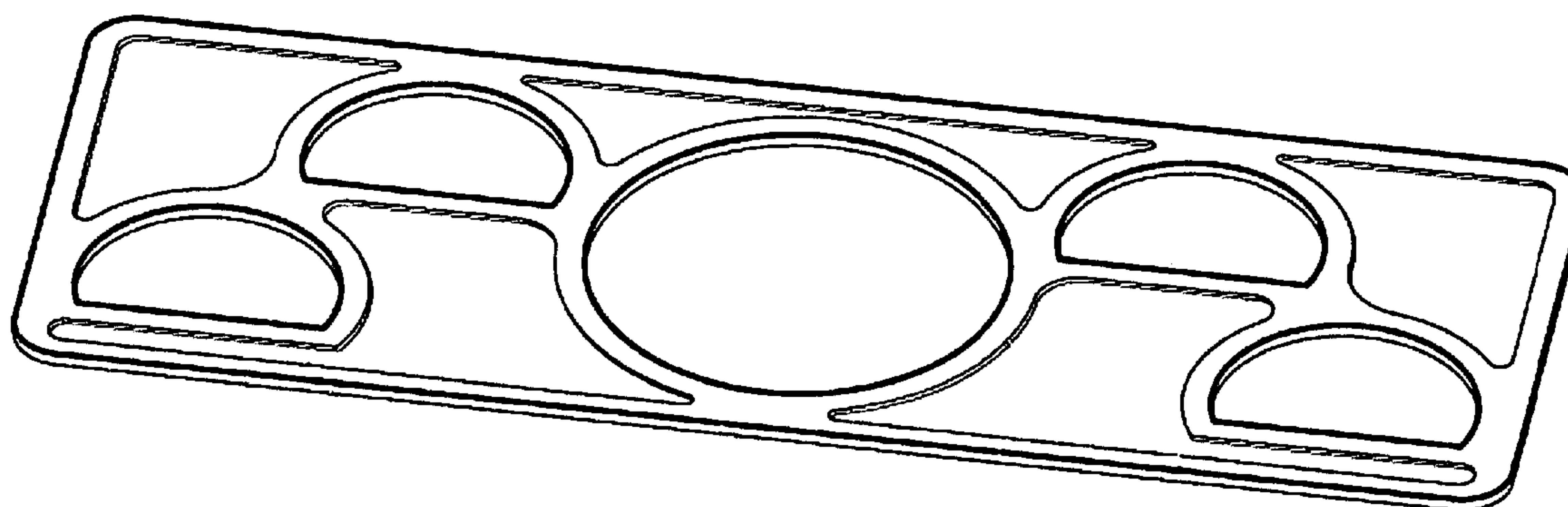
3—The openings in the front of the faceplate are bordered by a raised and polished surface that forms a waterfall shape from the center outward. This creates an art deco style appearance.

4—The recessed surfaces in the front of the faceplate are designed to be painted to match the gauge cluster's surroundings (e.g. the dash in which the gauges are installed).

5—The rear of the faceplate has recesses cut into it for mounting the gauges.

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1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets



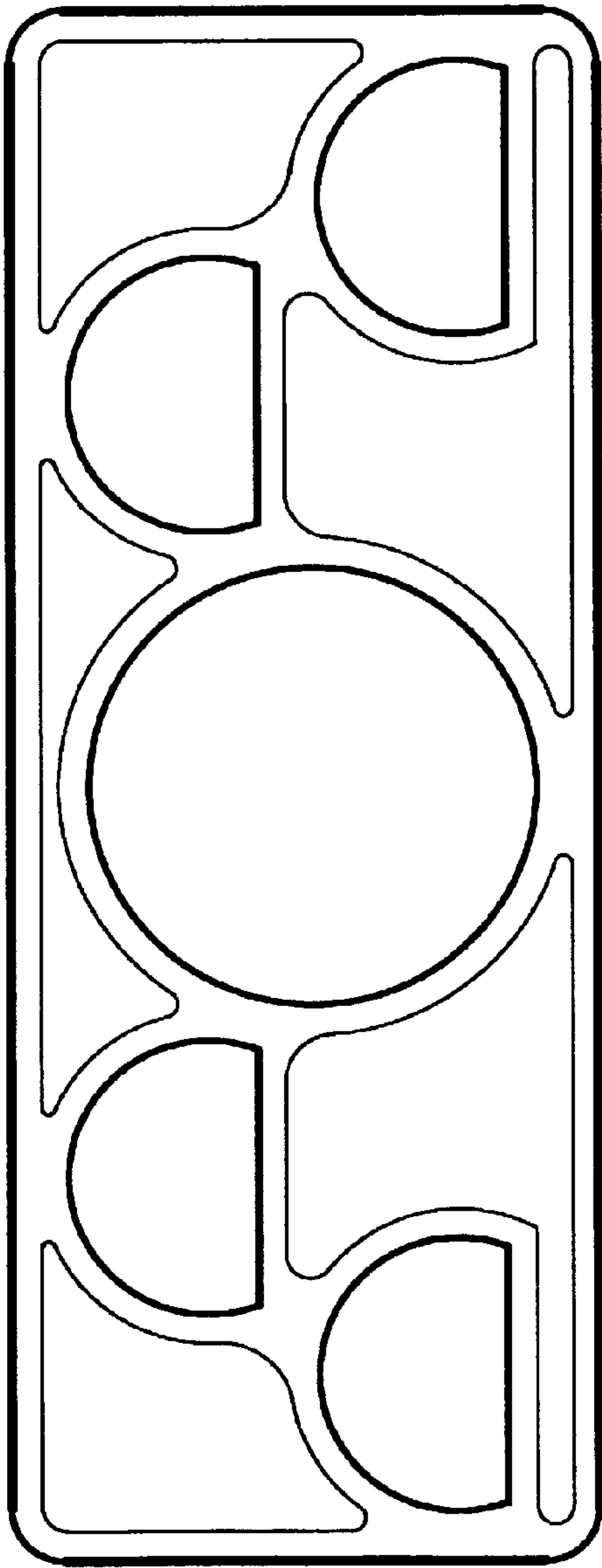


Figure 1

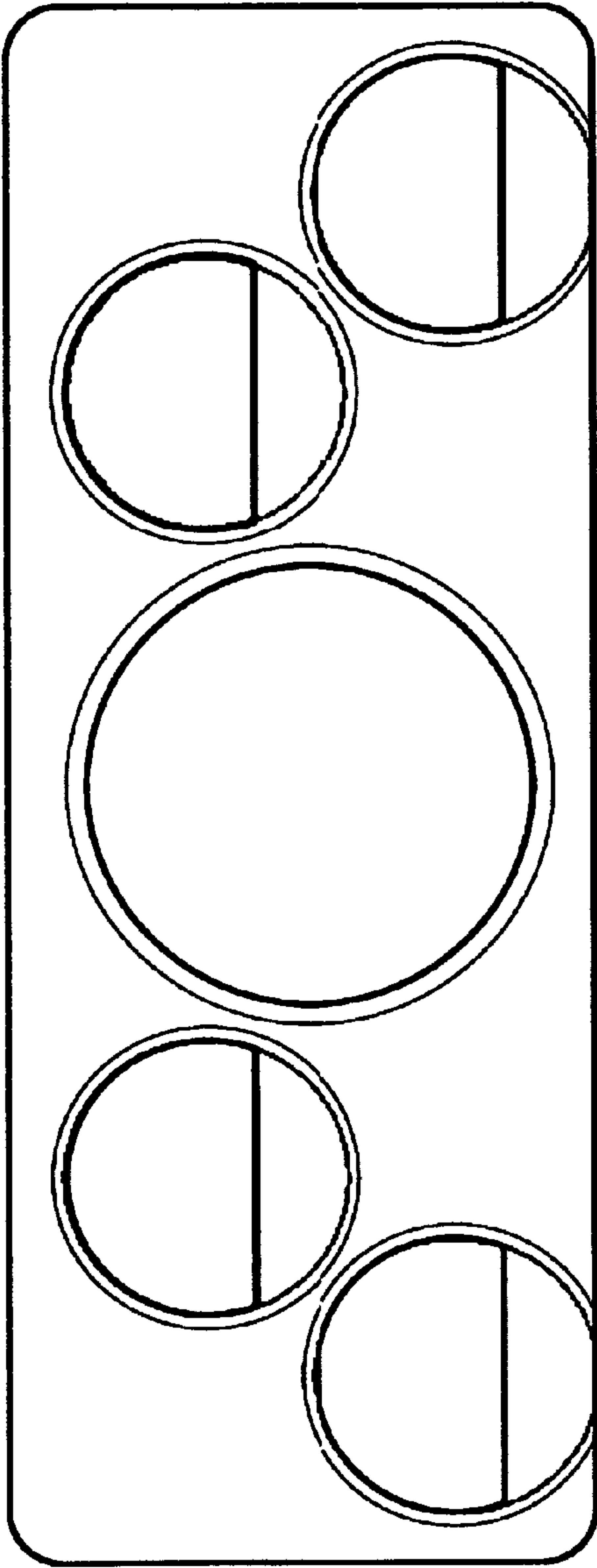


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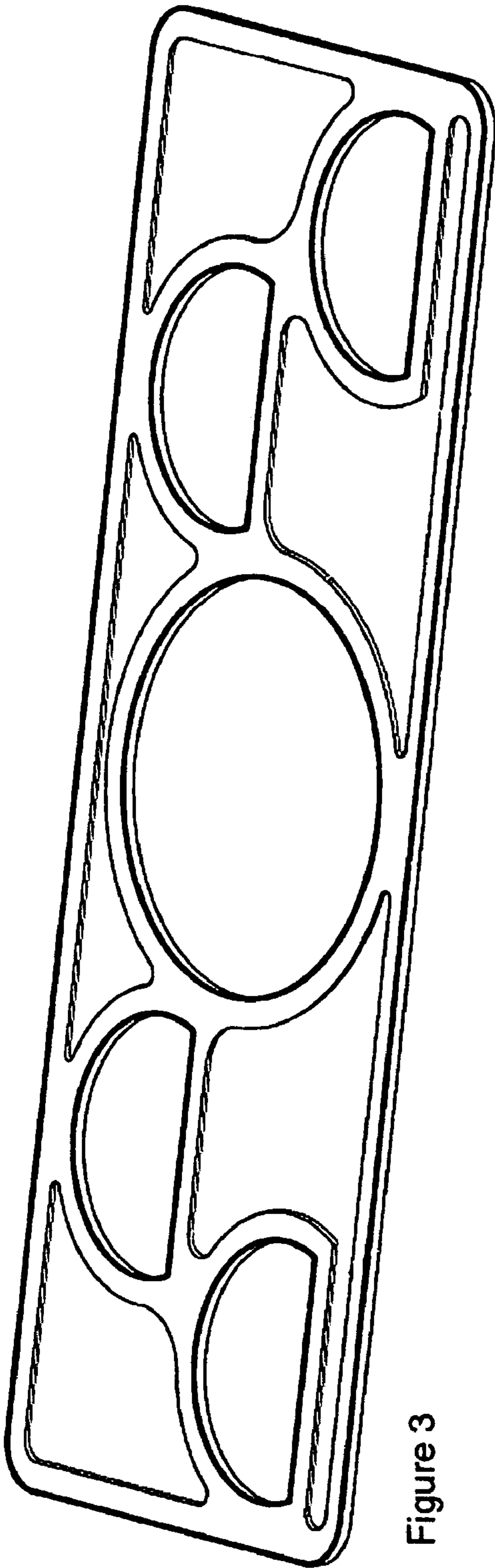


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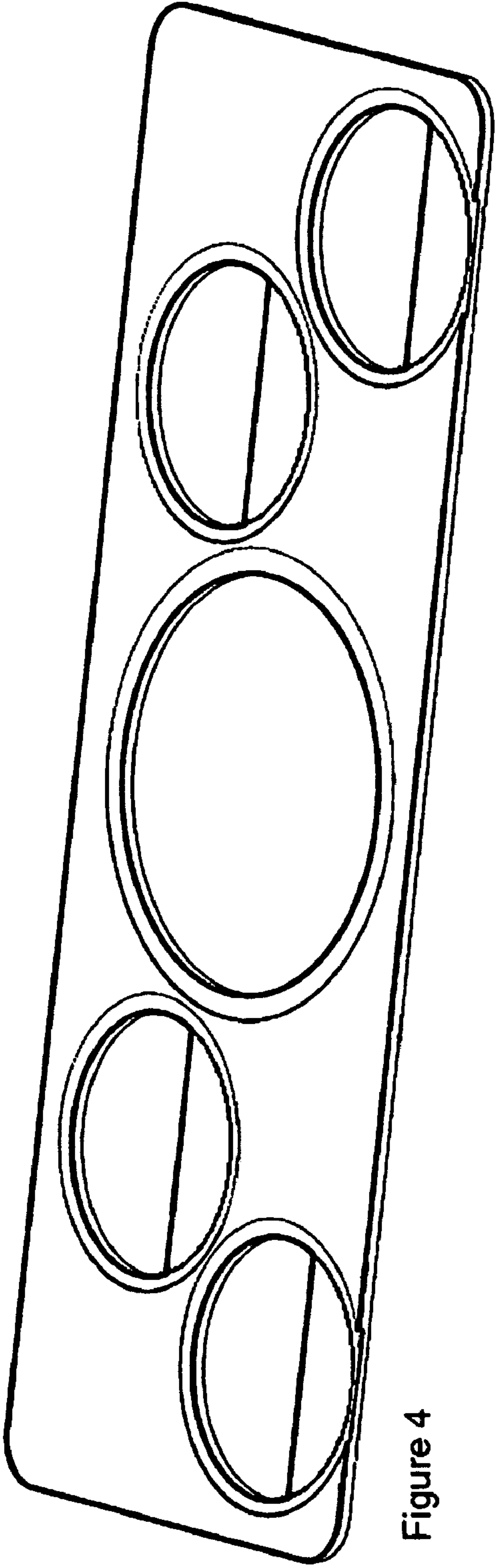


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