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(54) **SHOWER BASE**

(57) **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for a shower base, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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In a preferred embodiment, the nature of this product is as a shower receptor for a shower plumbing fixture.

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FIG. 1 is a top, right, front perspective view of a shower base of my new design;

(51) **LOC (8) Cl.** **23-02**

FIG. 2 is a top plan view thereof;

(52) **U.S. Cl.** **D23/304**

FIG. 3 is a front elevational view thereof;

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FIG. 4 is a right side elevational view thereof, the left side elevational view thereof being a mirror image of the right side shown;

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FIG. 5 is a rear elevational view thereof;

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FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof;

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FIG. 7 is a top, right front perspective view of another embodiment of my new design;

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FIG. 8 is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. 9 is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. 10 is a right side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 11 is a left side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 12 is a rear elevational view thereof;

FIG. 13 is a bottom plan view thereof; and,

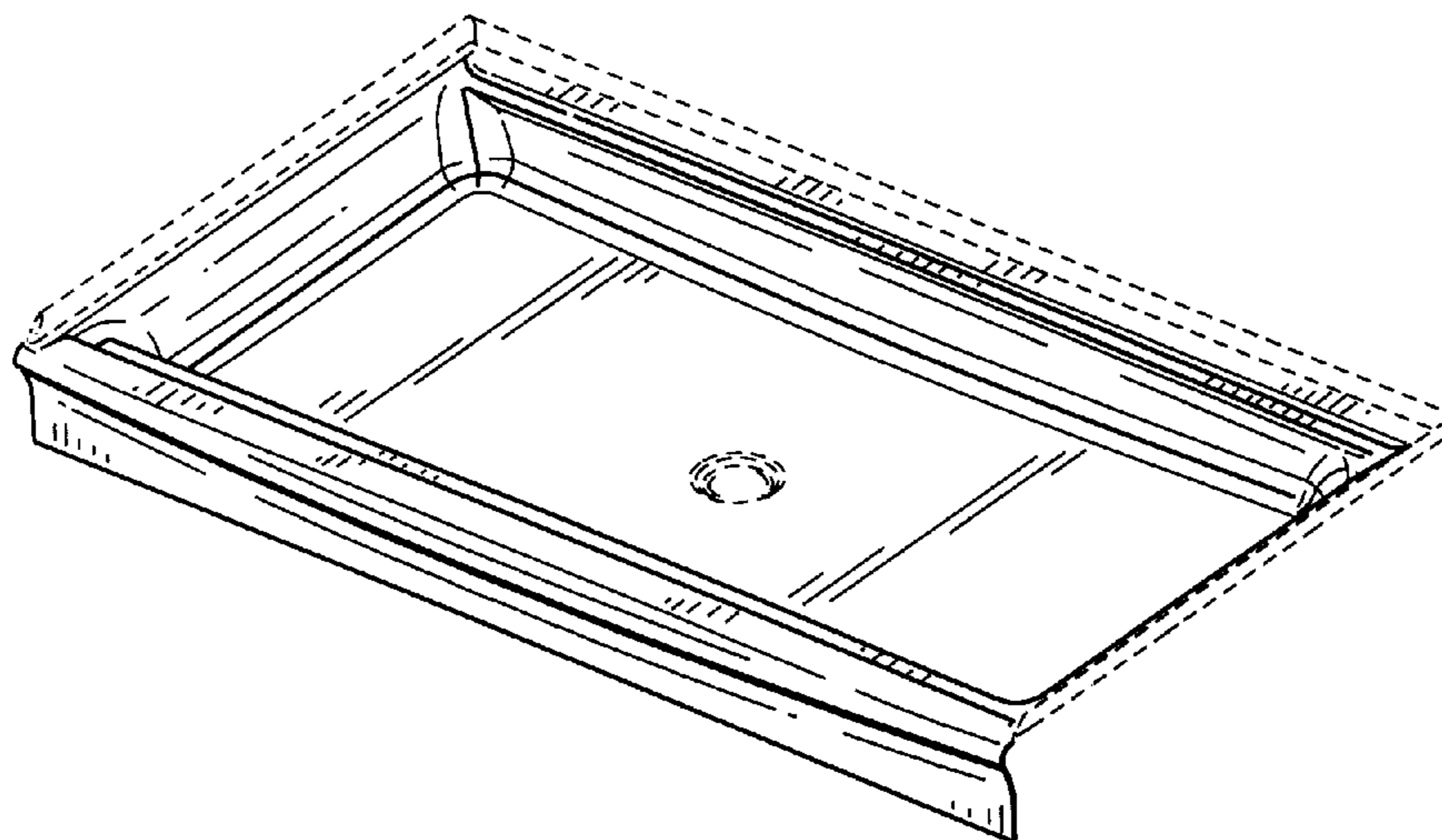
FIG. 14 is a top, left front perspective view of another embodiment of my new design, the front elevational view thereof being identical to FIG. 9 and the remaining views being mirror images of the views shown in FIGS. 8 and 10–13.

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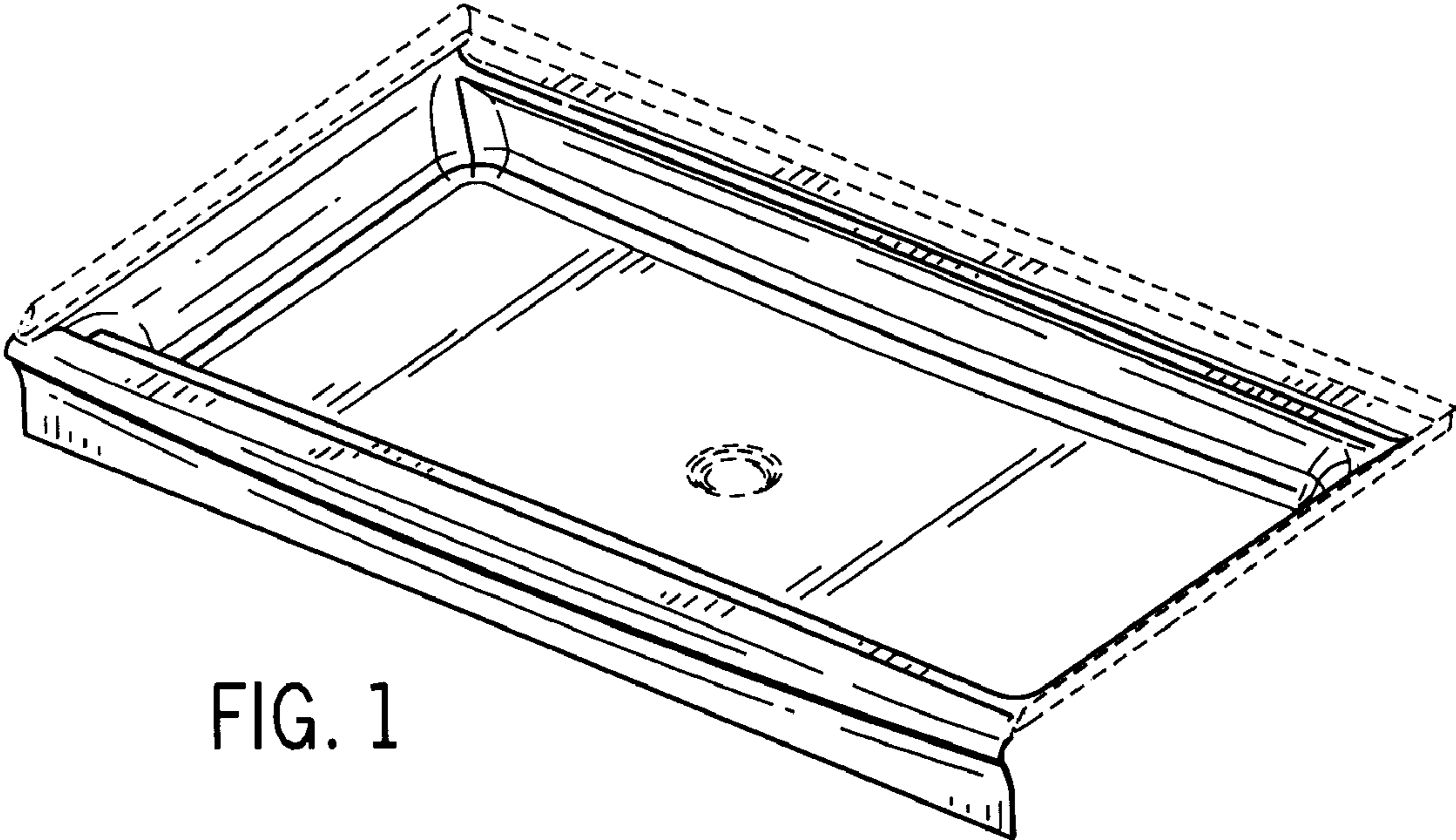
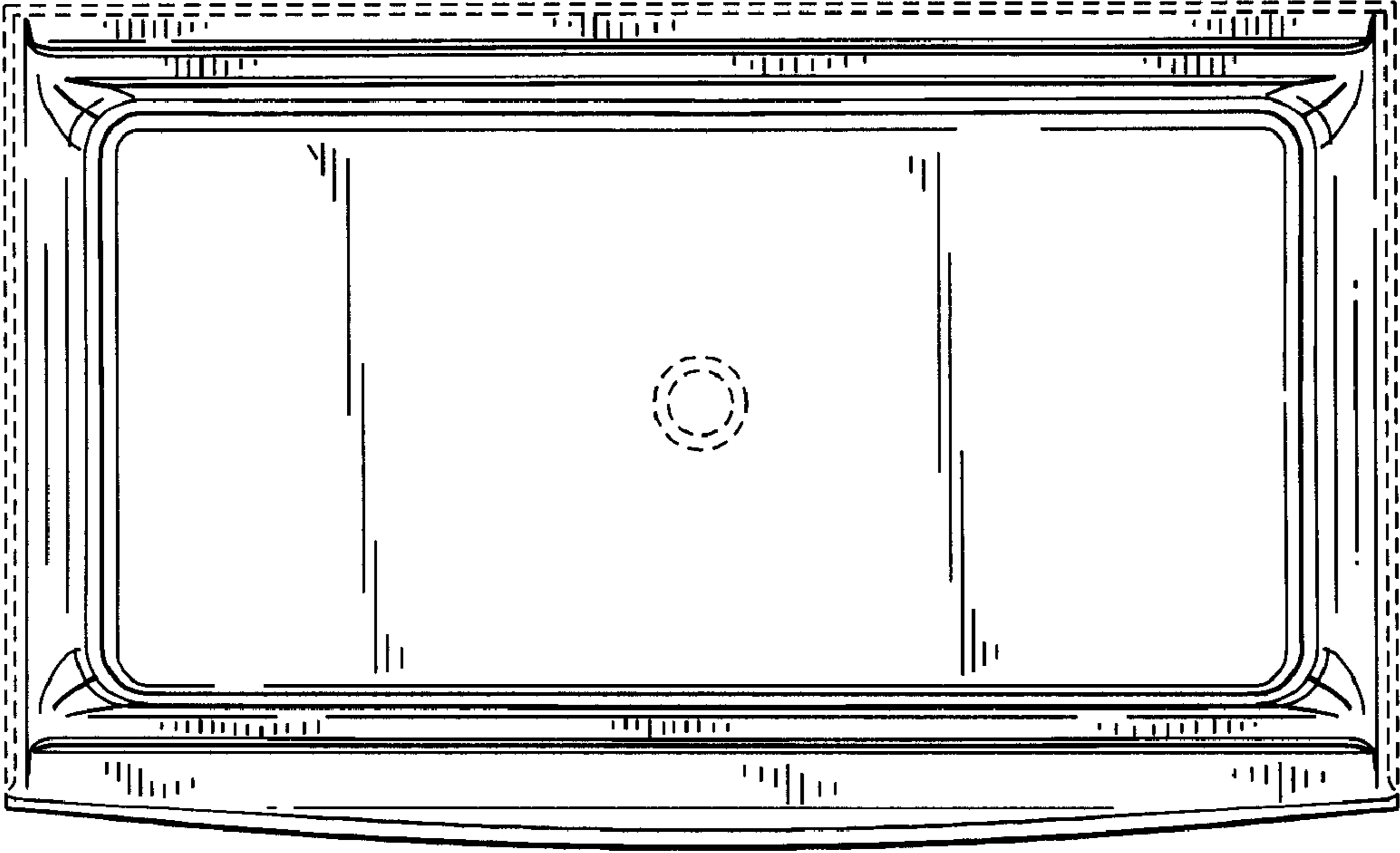


FIG. 1

FIG. 2



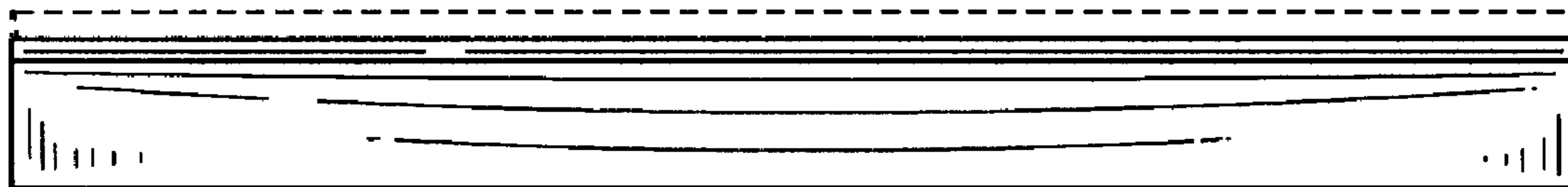


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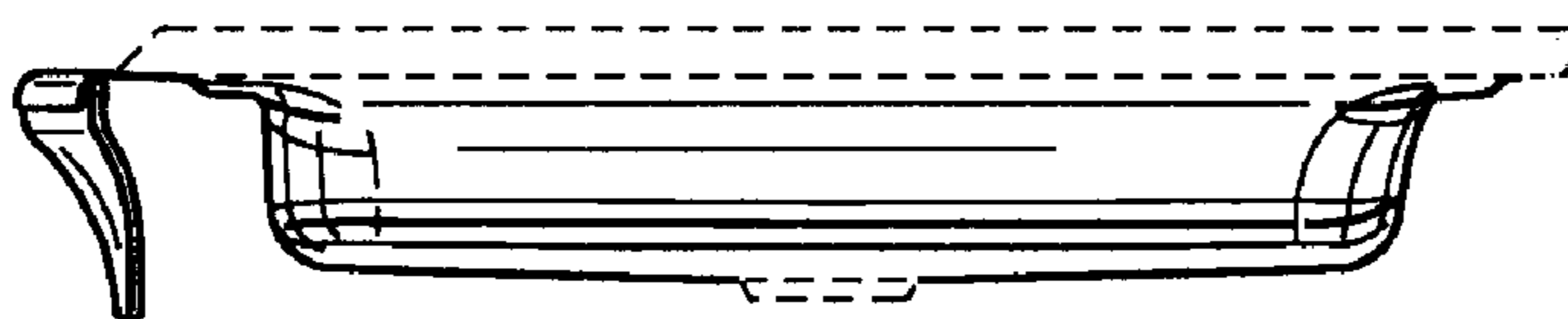


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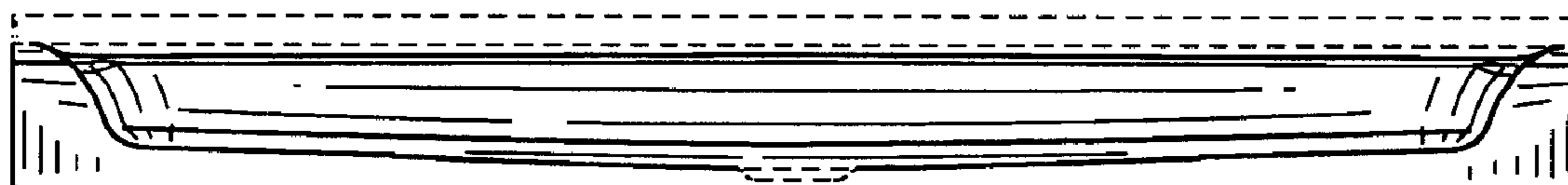


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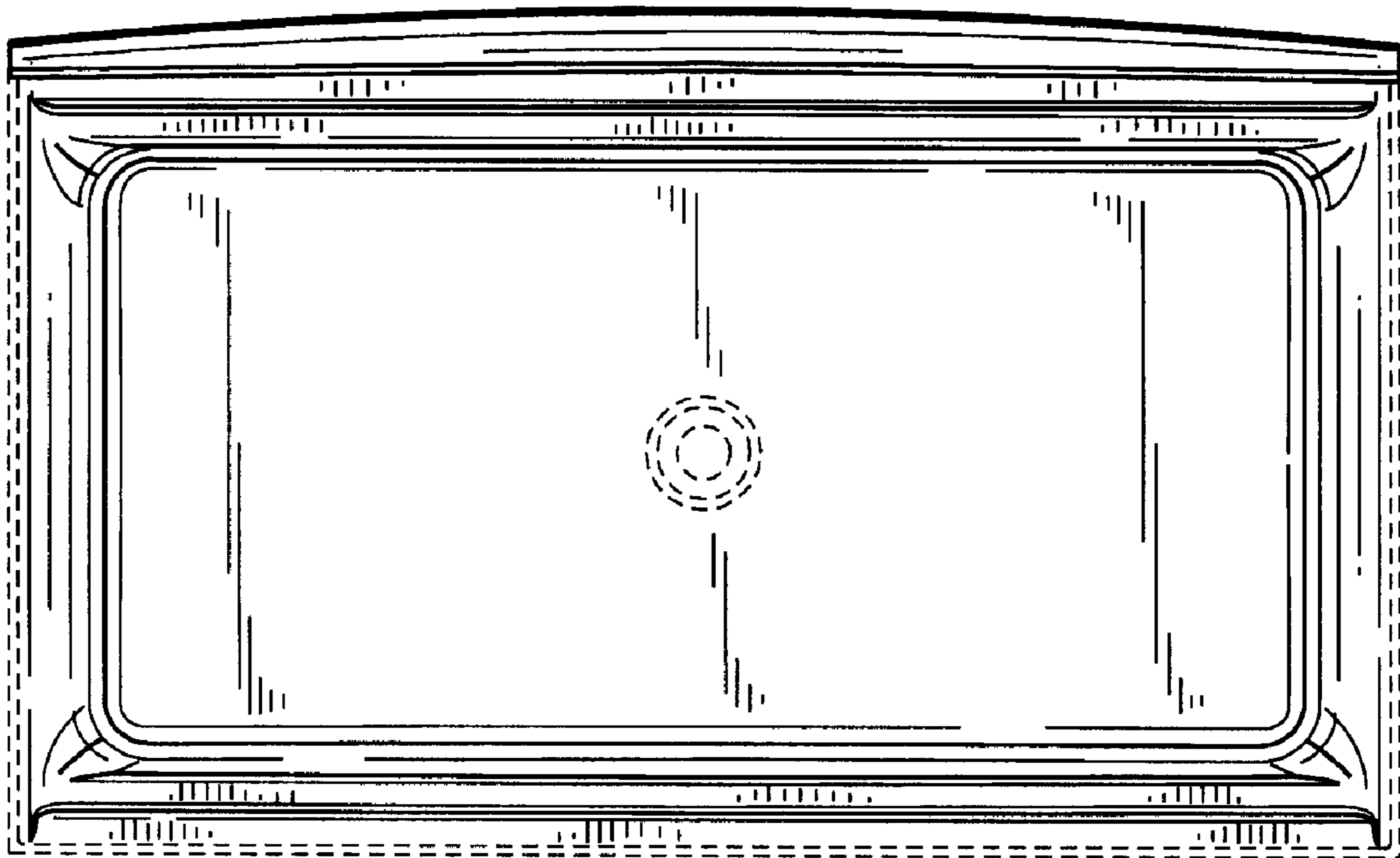


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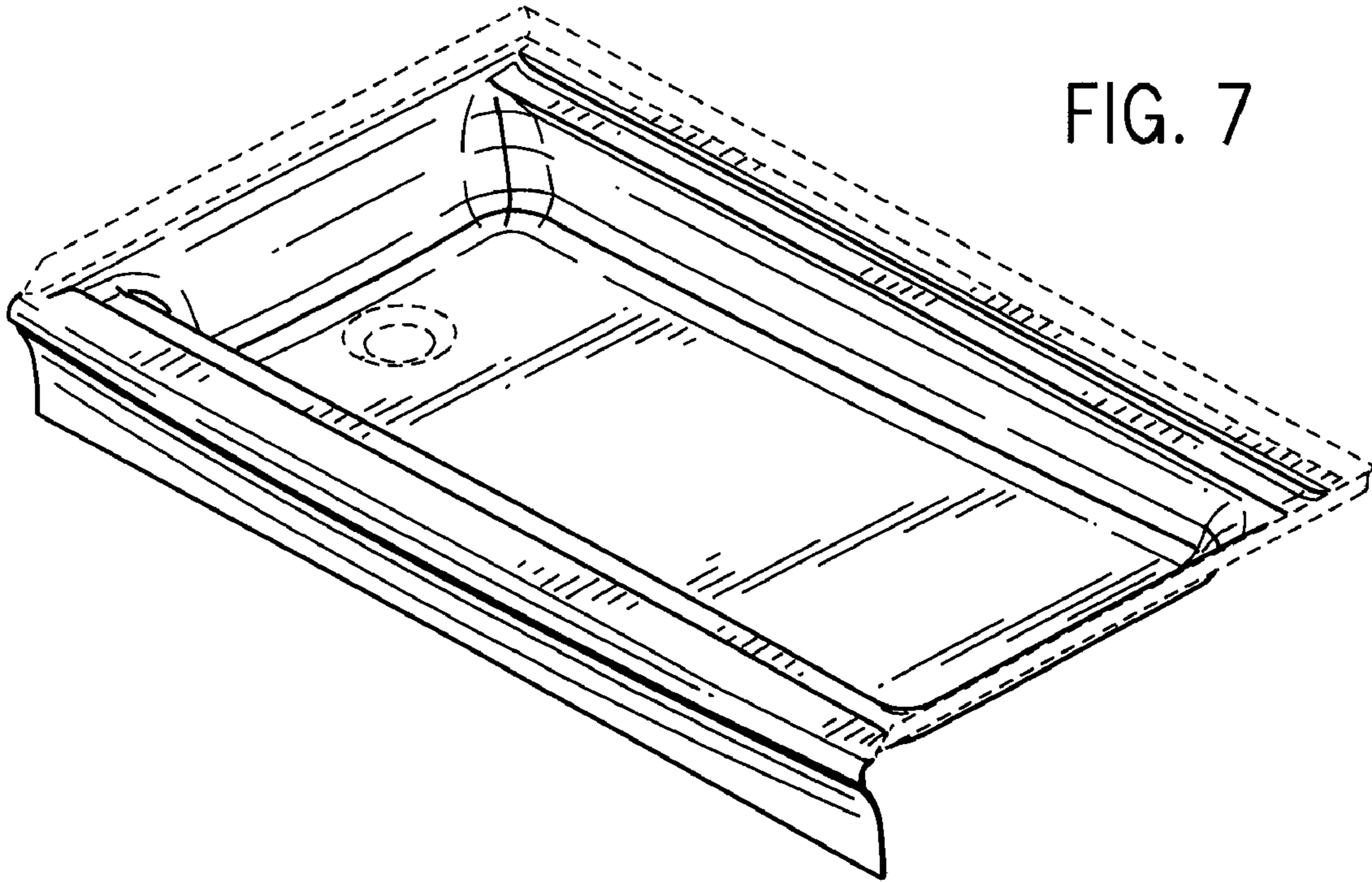


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FIG. 8

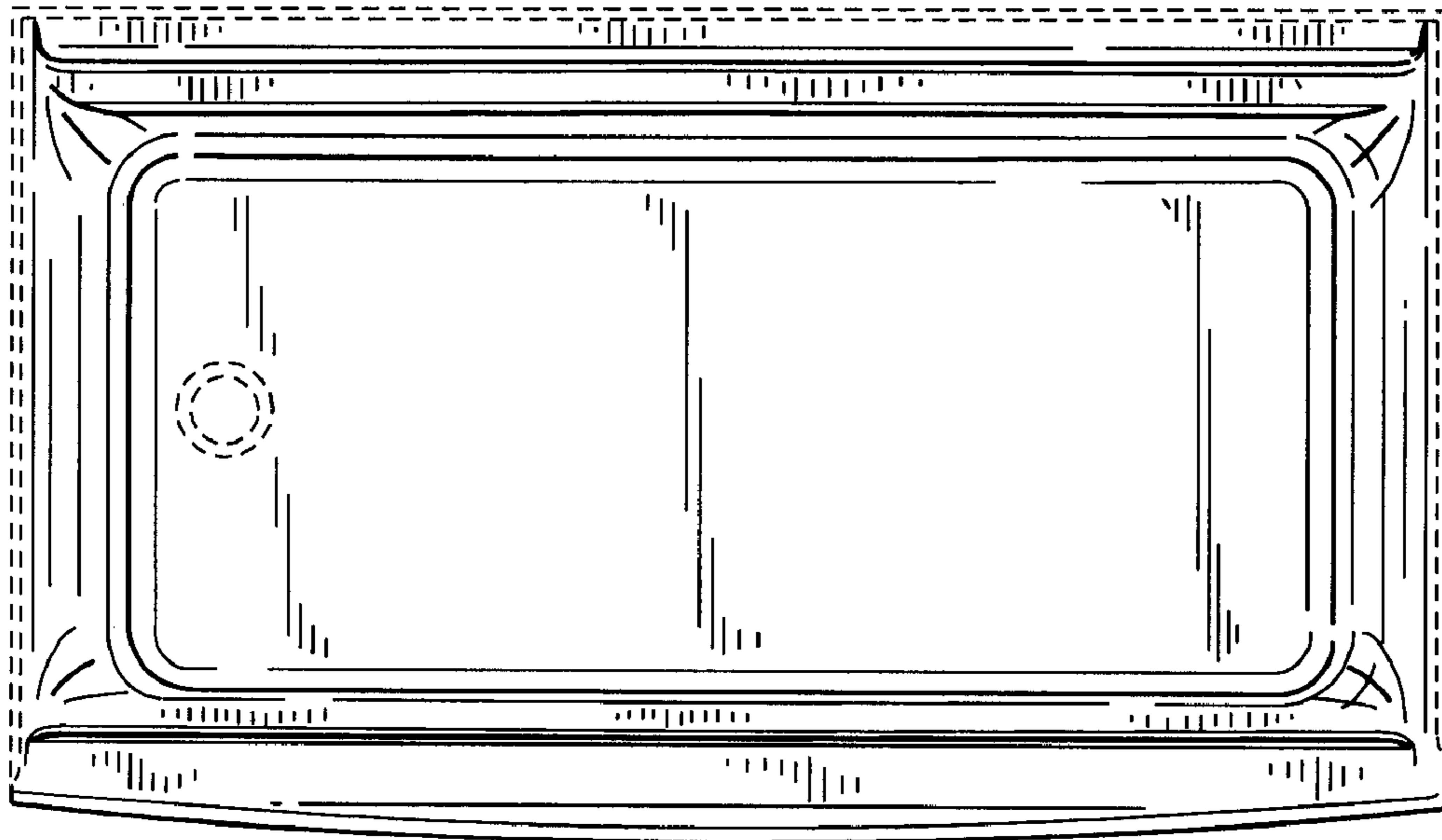


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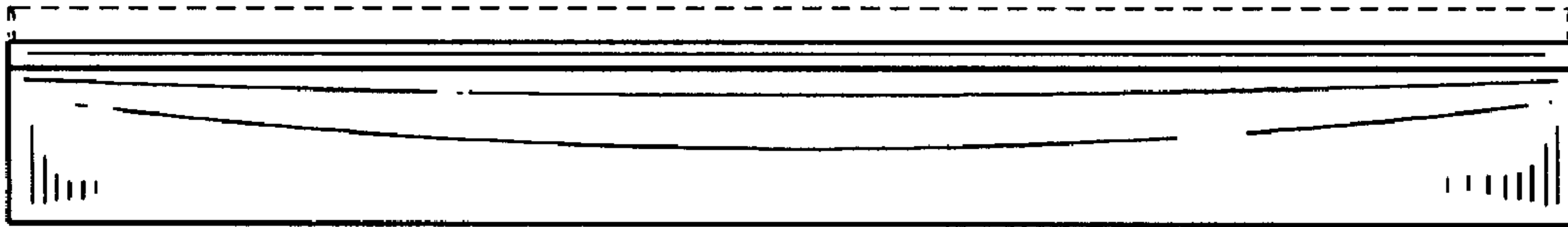


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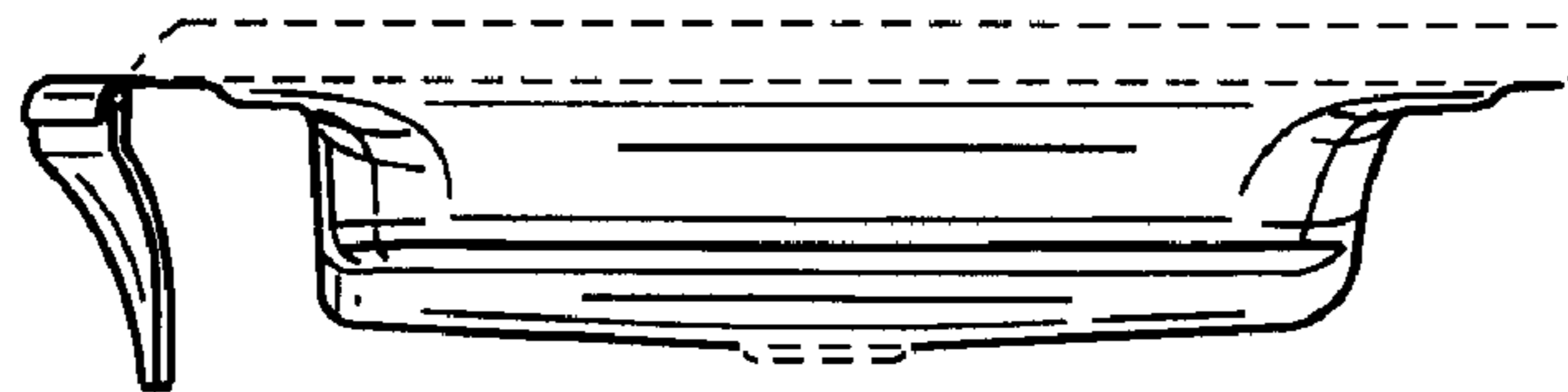


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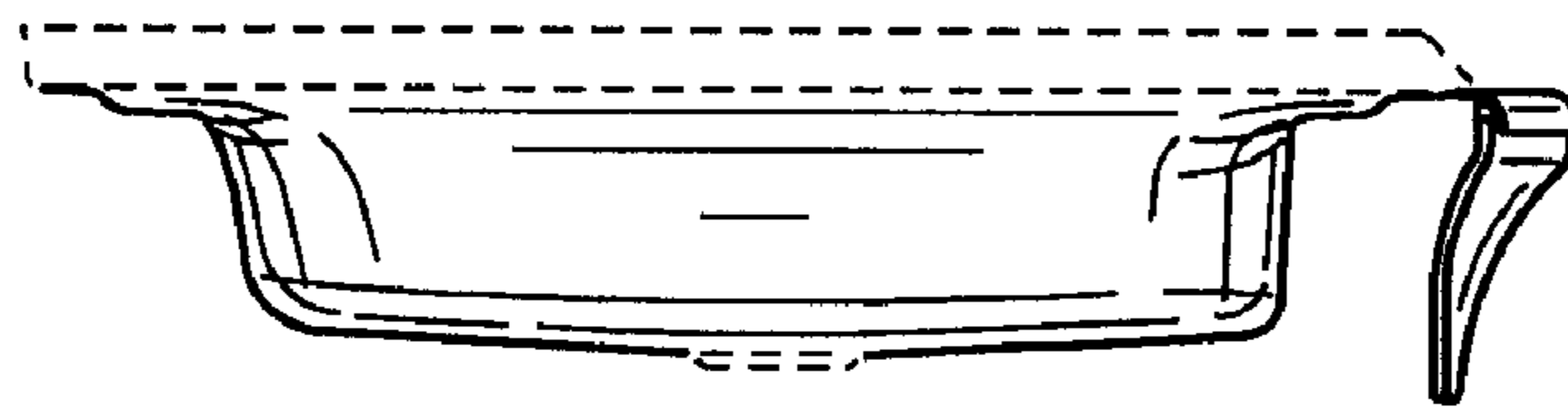
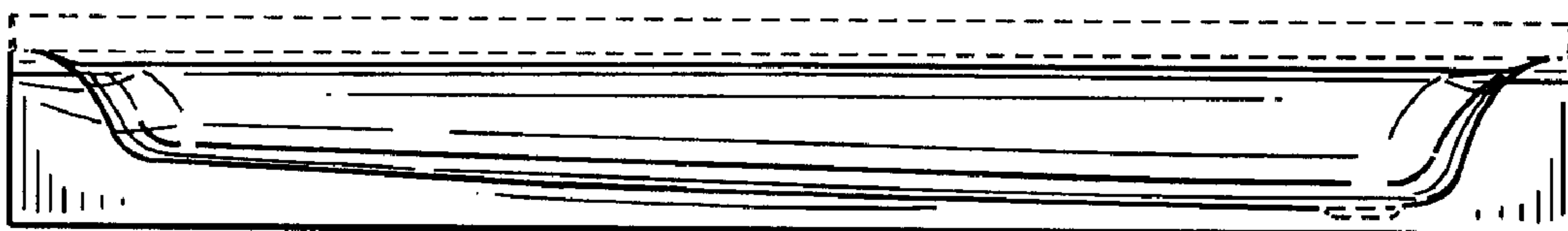


FIG. 12



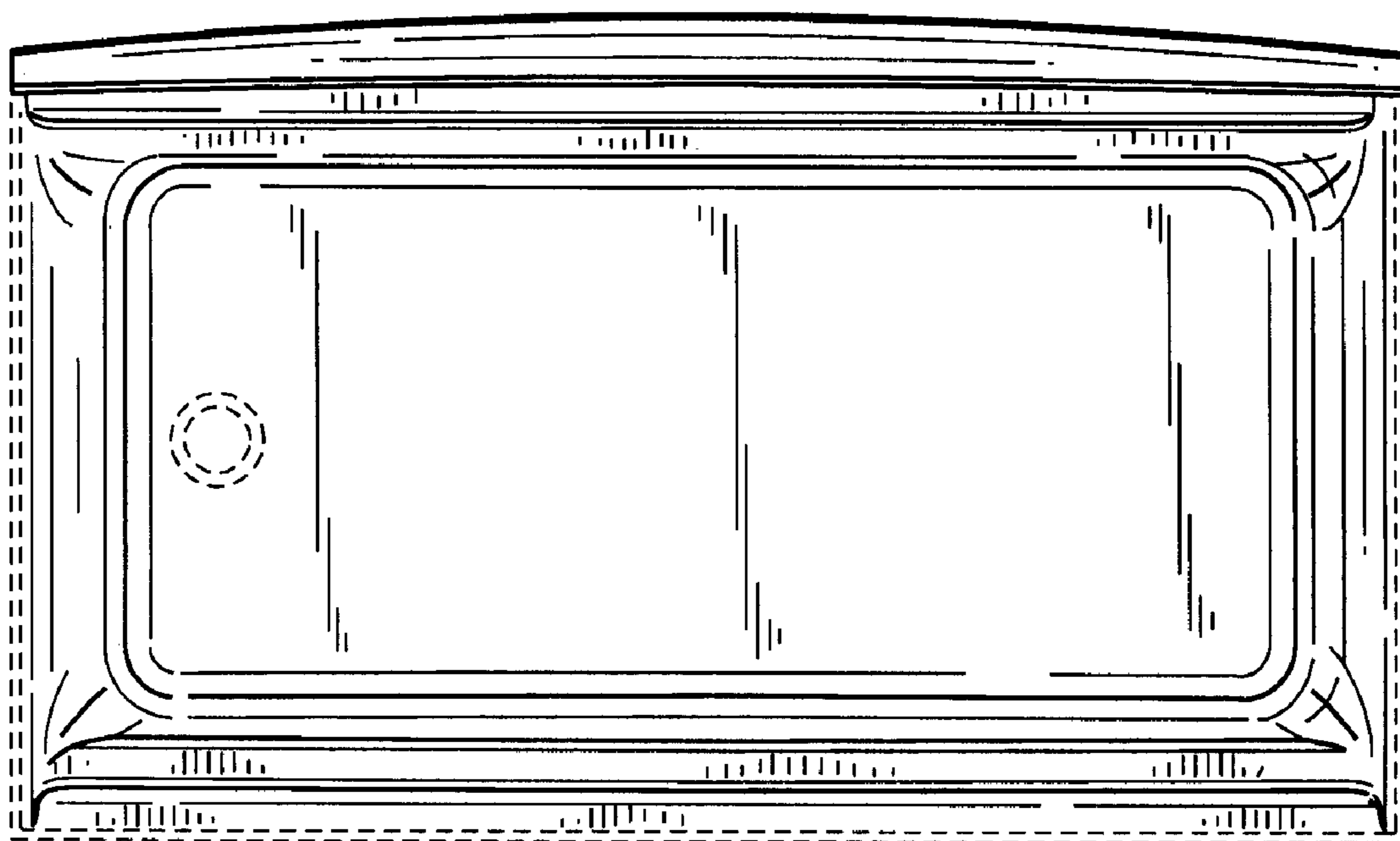


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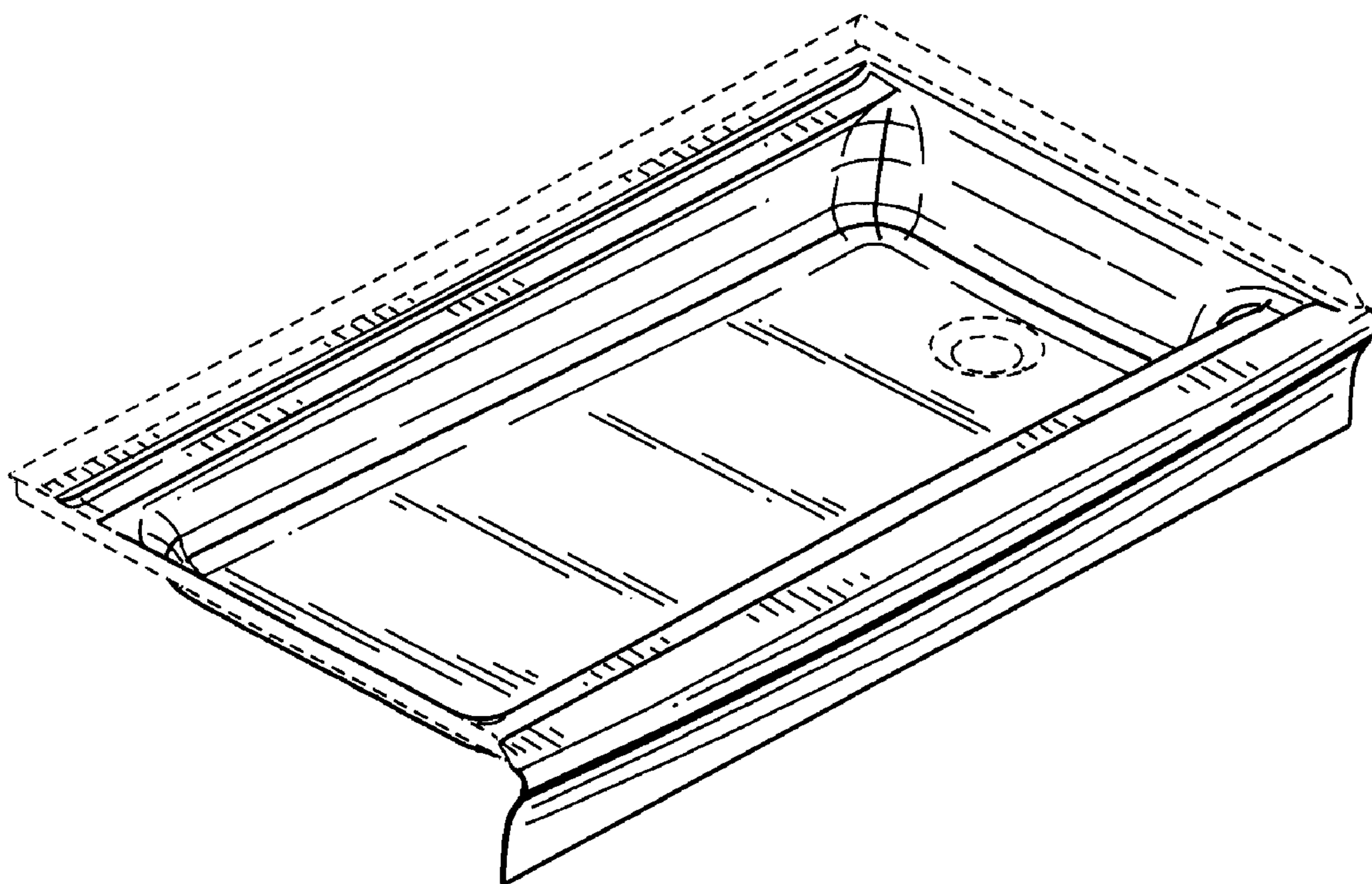


FIG. 14