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(54) **FLEXIBLE SAMPLE VESSEL**

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The ornamental design for a flexible sample vessel, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a flexible sample vessel according to a first embodiment of the invention.

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FIG. 2 is a front perspective view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 1 shown without a test tube.

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FIG. 3 is a side perspective view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 1 shown without a test tube.

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FIG. 4 is a top view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 1.

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FIG. 5 is a bottom view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 1.

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FIG. 6 is a perspective view of a flexible sample vessel according to a second embodiment of the invention.

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FIG. 7 is a front perspective view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 6 shown without a test tube.

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FIG. 8 is a side perspective view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 6 shown without a test tube.

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FIG. 9 is a top view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 6; and,

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FIG. 10 is a bottom view of the flexible sample vessel depicted in FIG. 6.

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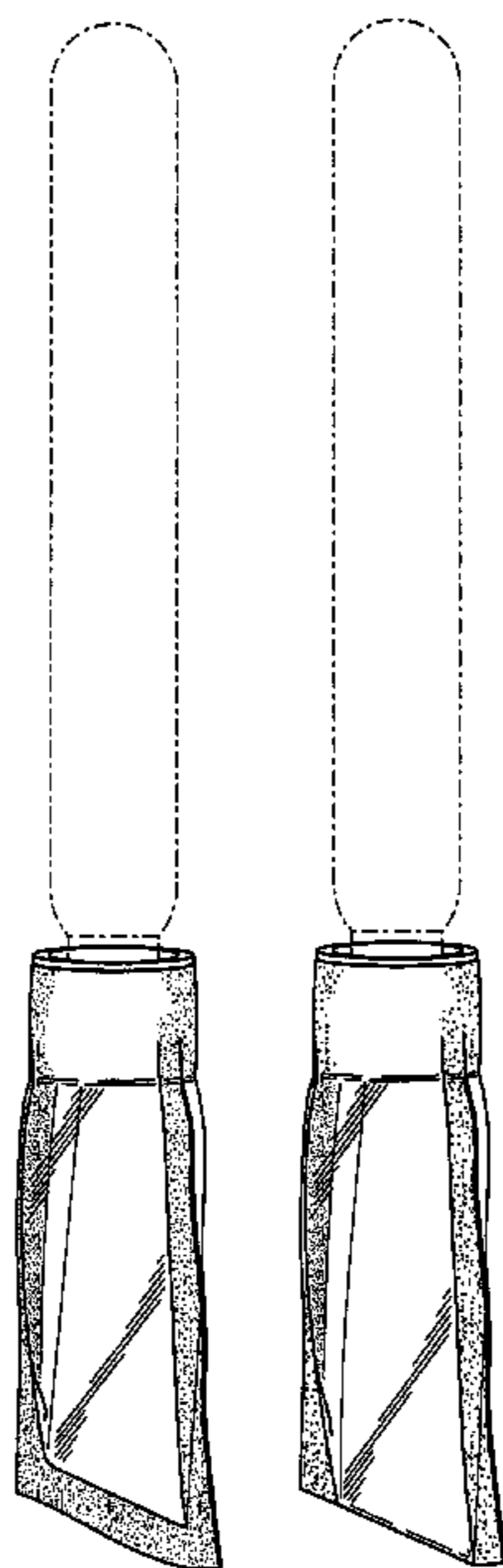
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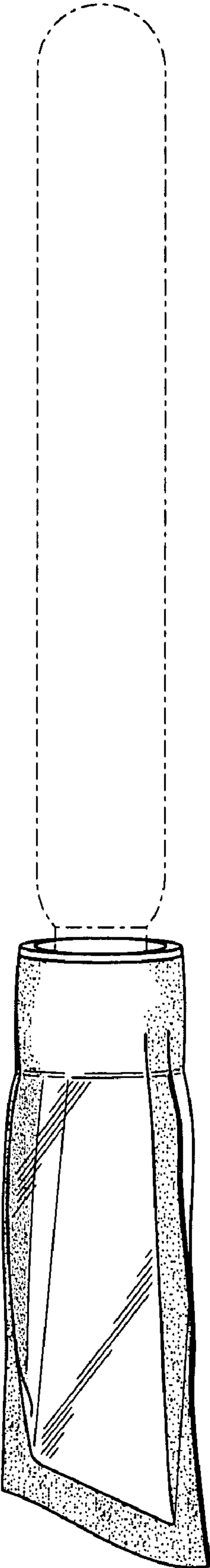


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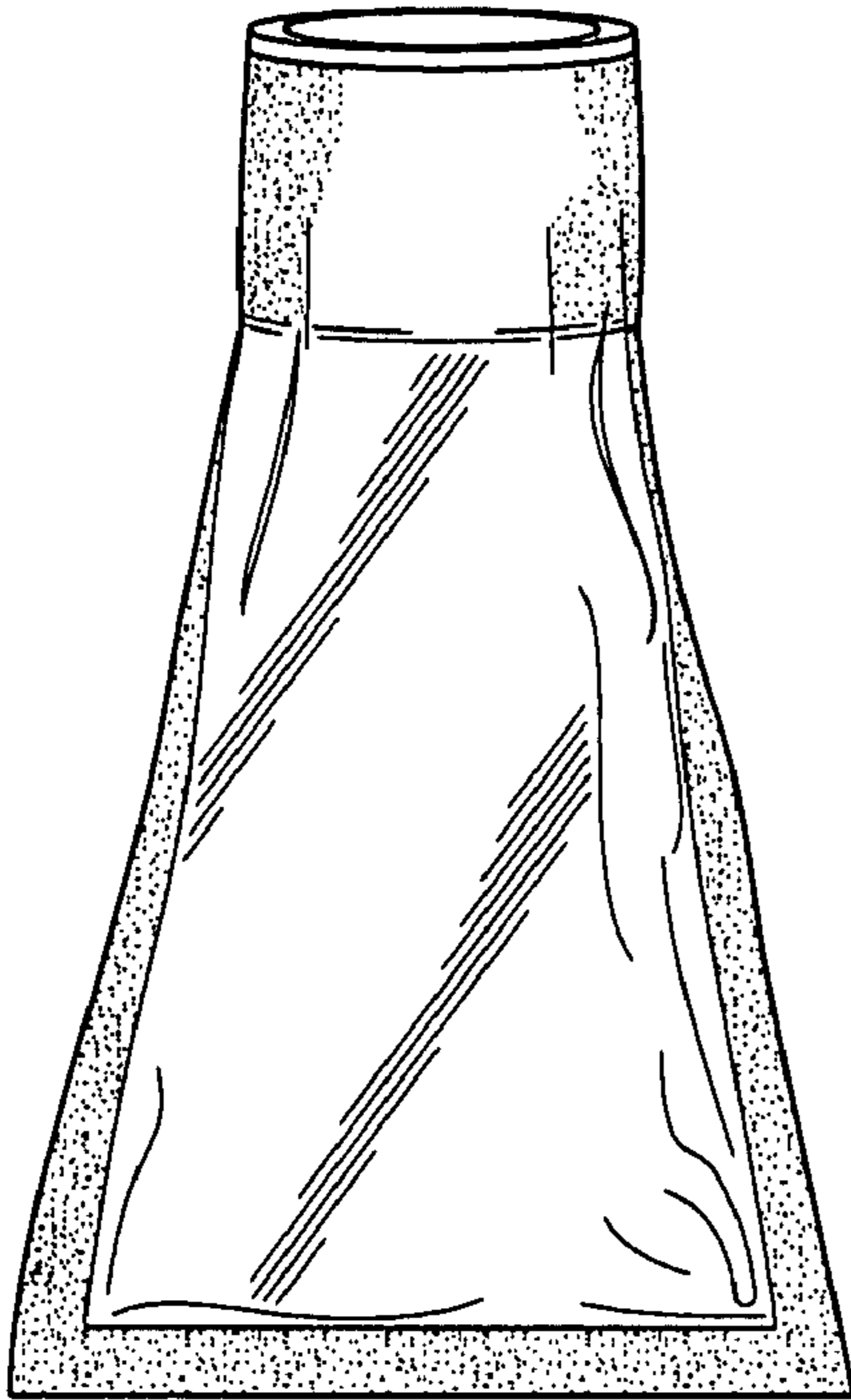


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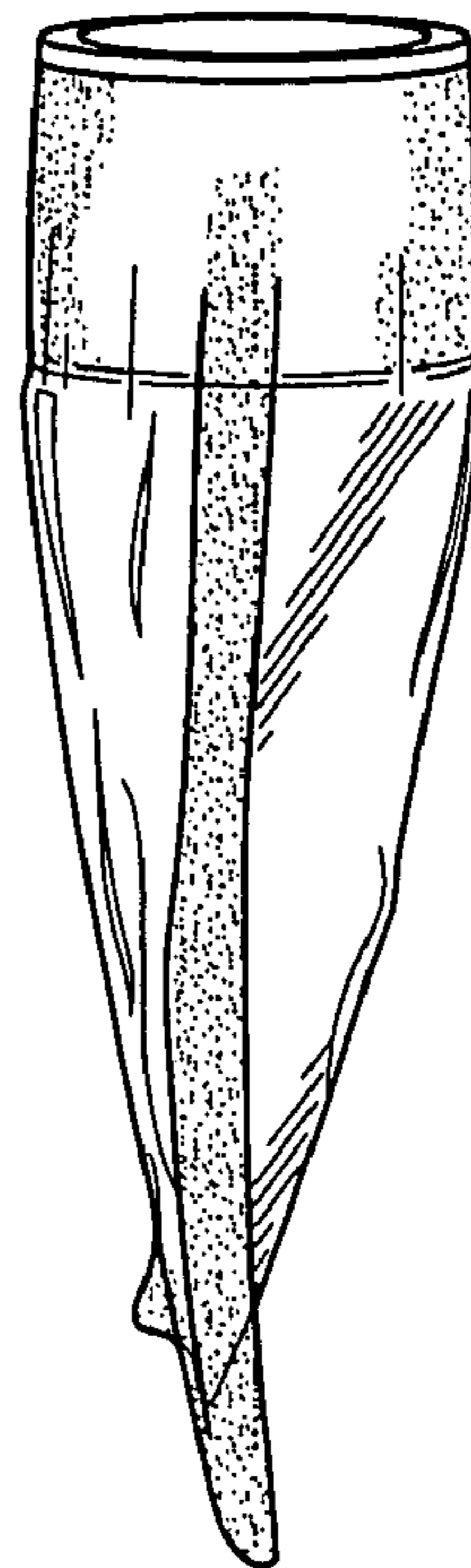


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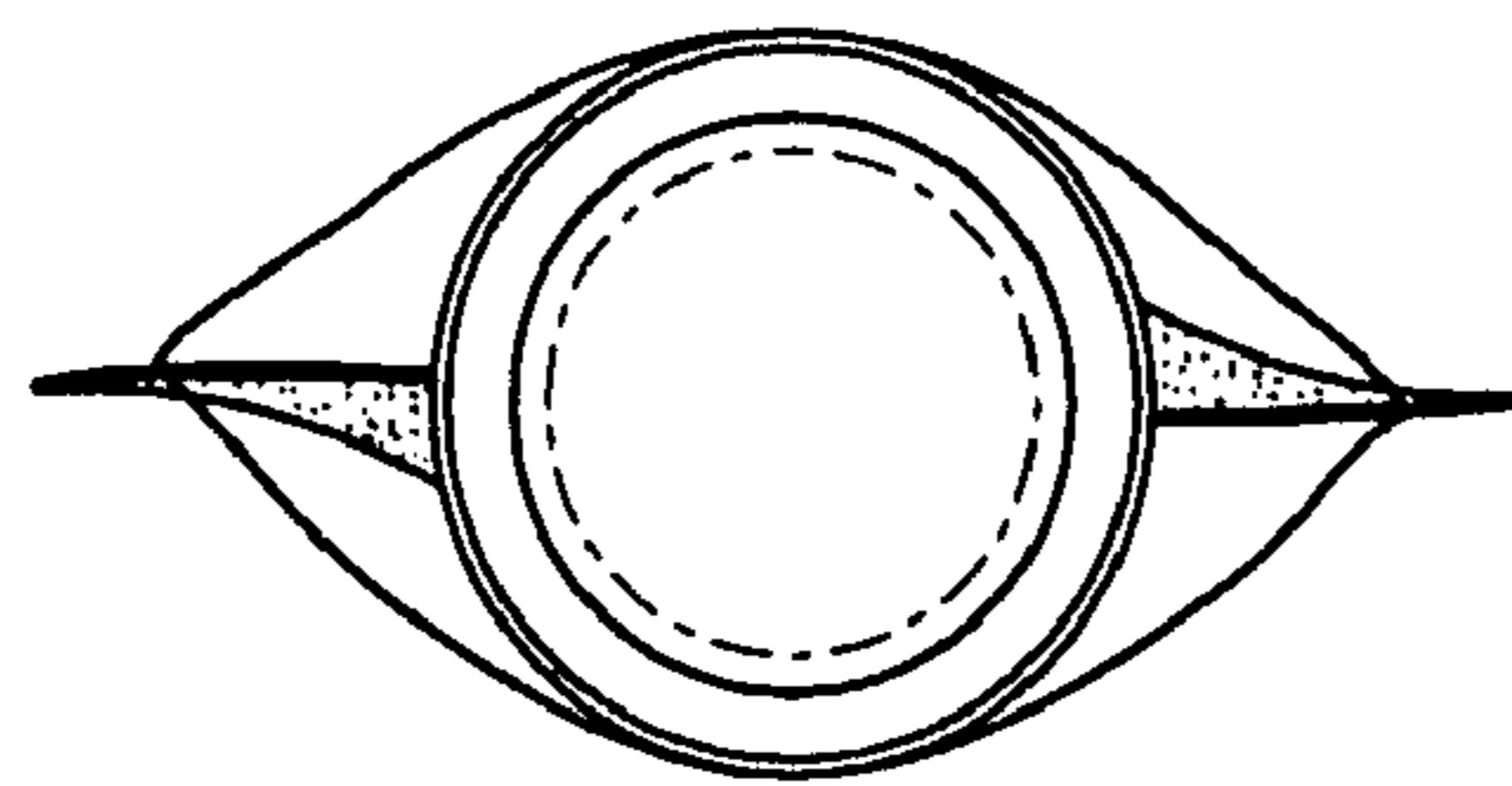


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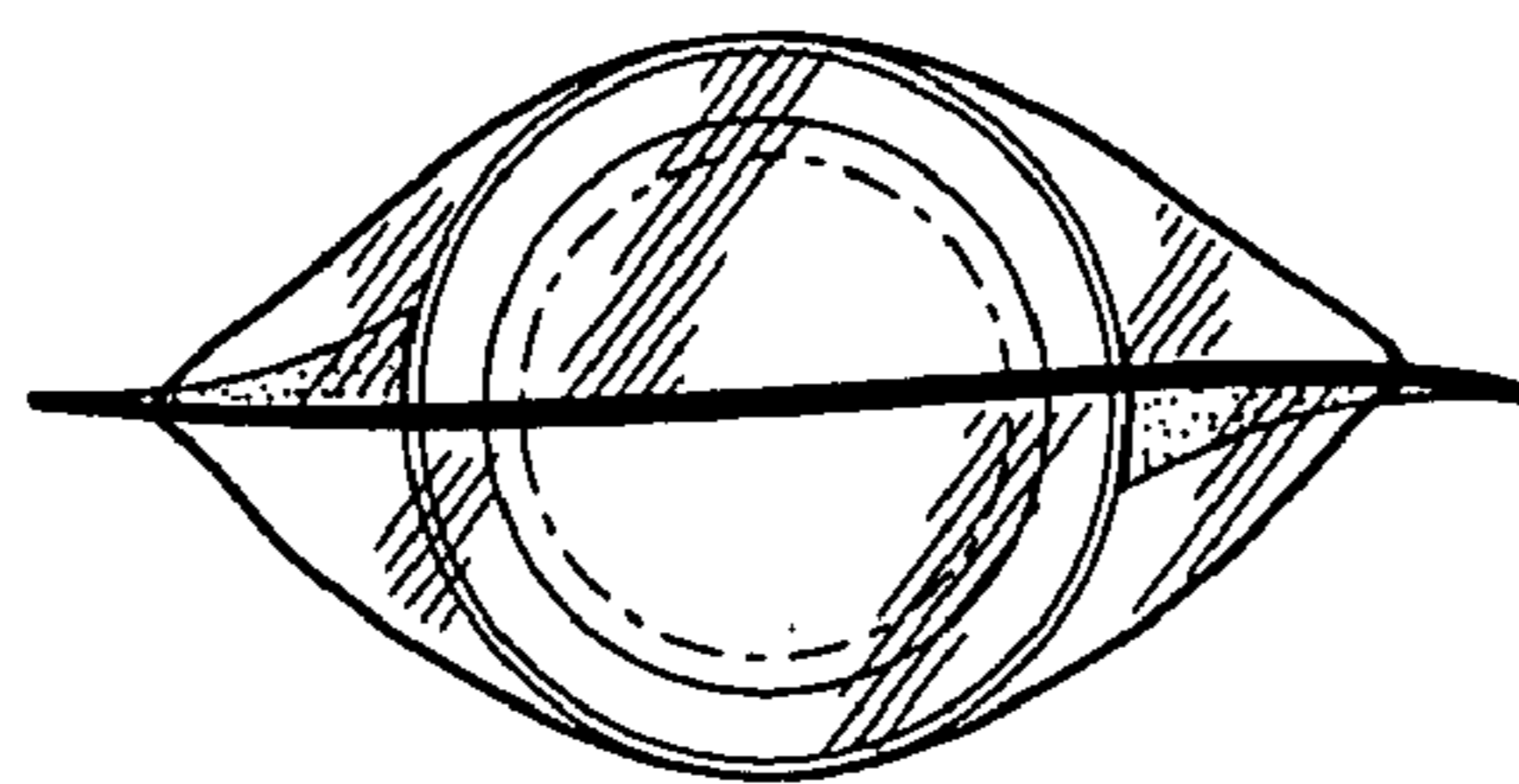


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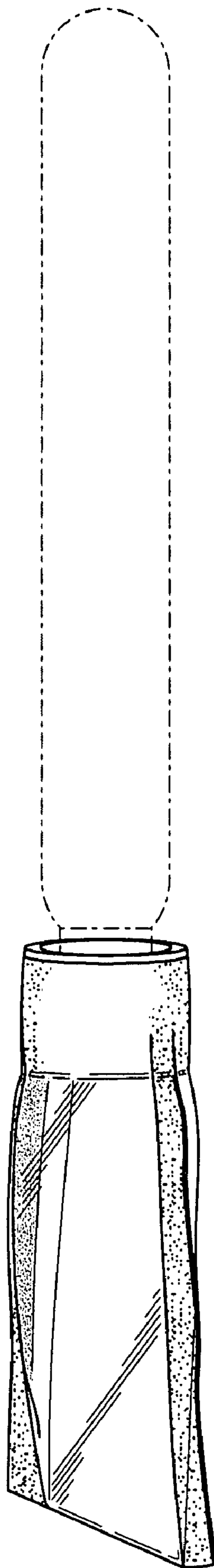


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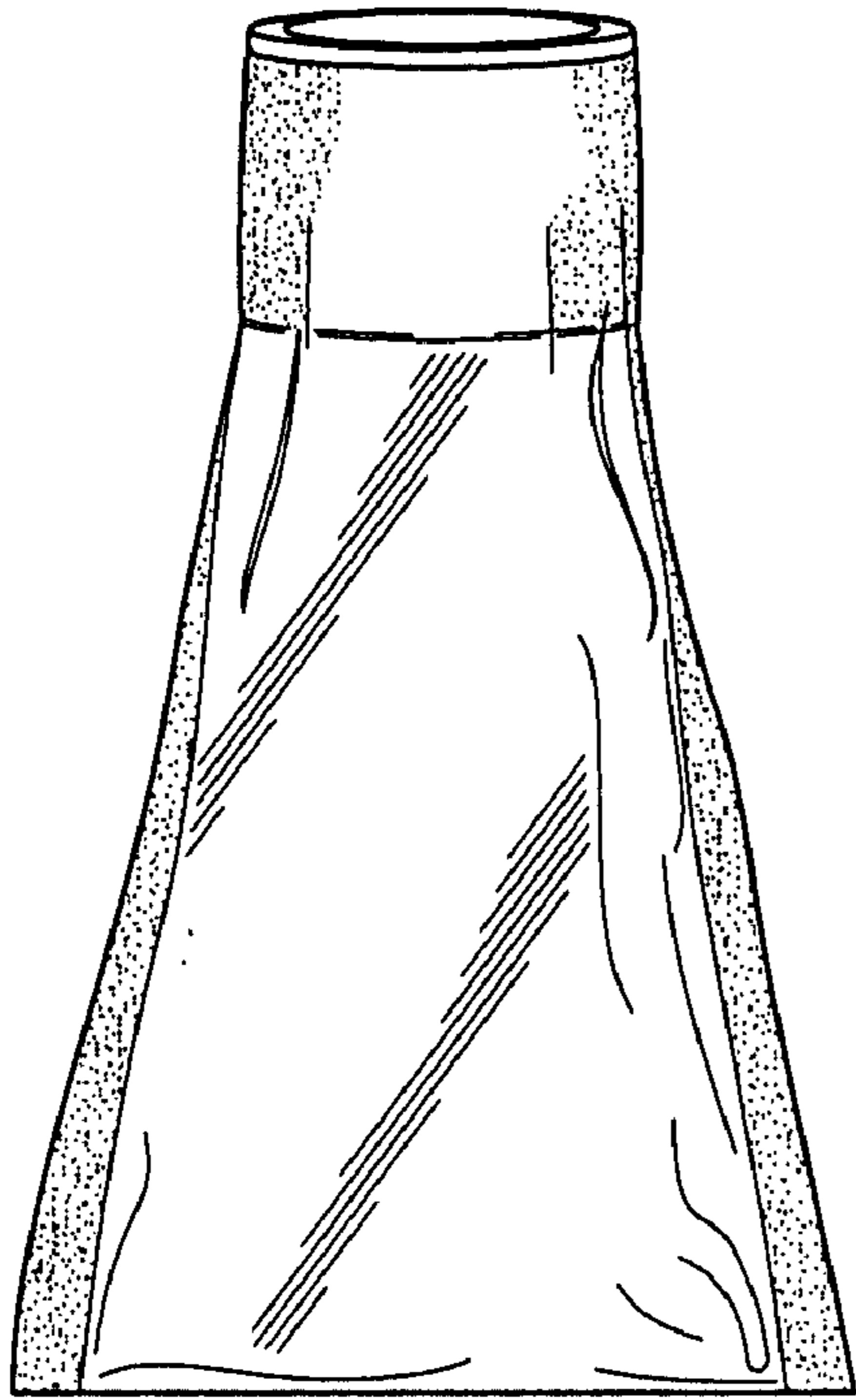


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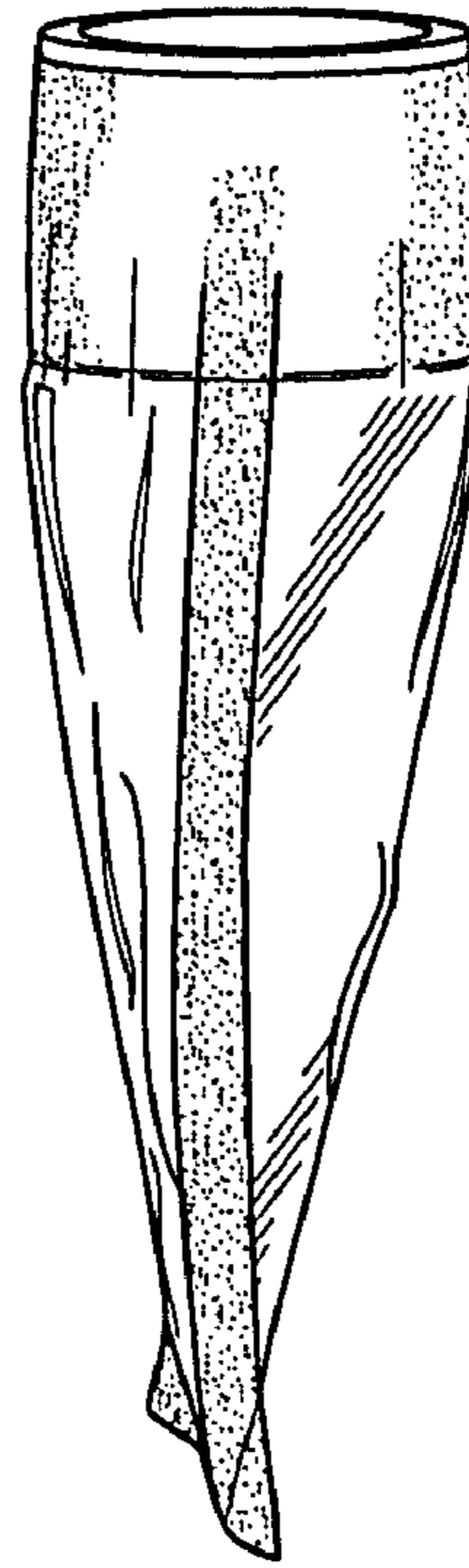


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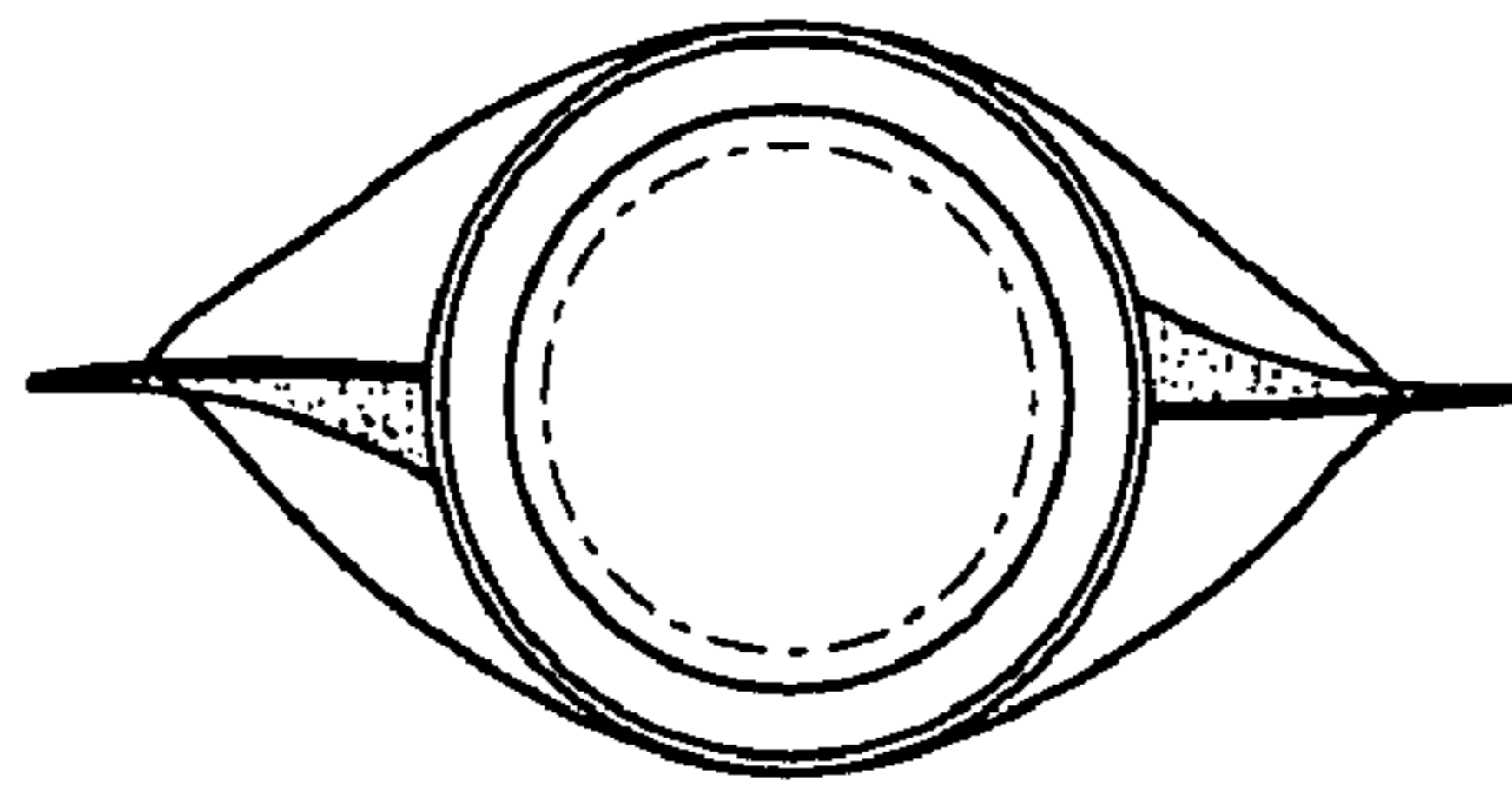


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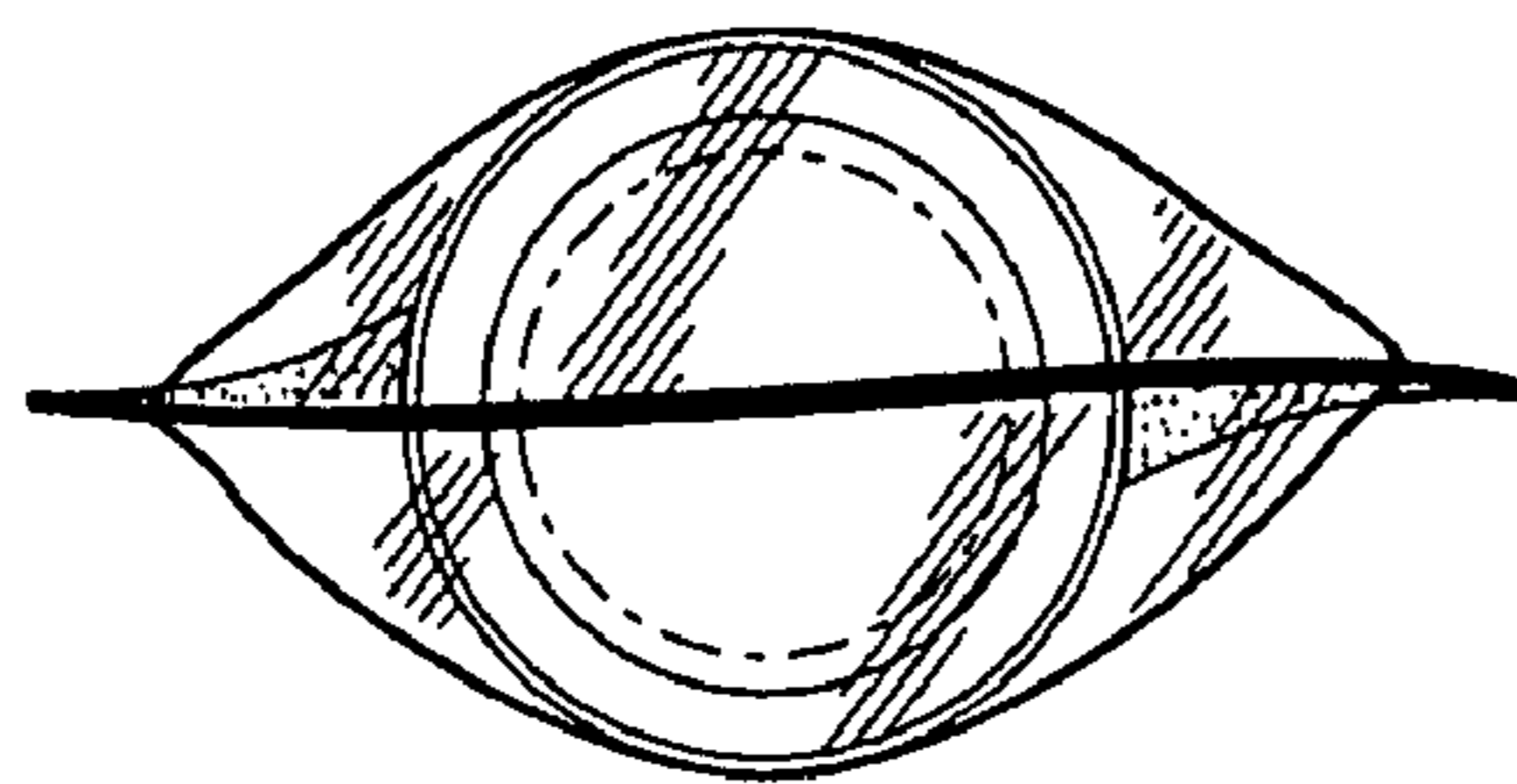


Fig. 10