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(54) **TRANSPARENT CONTAINER**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a transparent container, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1: is a perspective view of a first embodiment of a transparent container showing our new design;

FIG. 2: is a left side view of the design shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 3: is a right side view of the design shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 4: is a top view of the design shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 5: is a front view of the design shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 6: is a rear view of the design shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 7: is a perspective view of a second embodiment of a transparent container showing our new design;

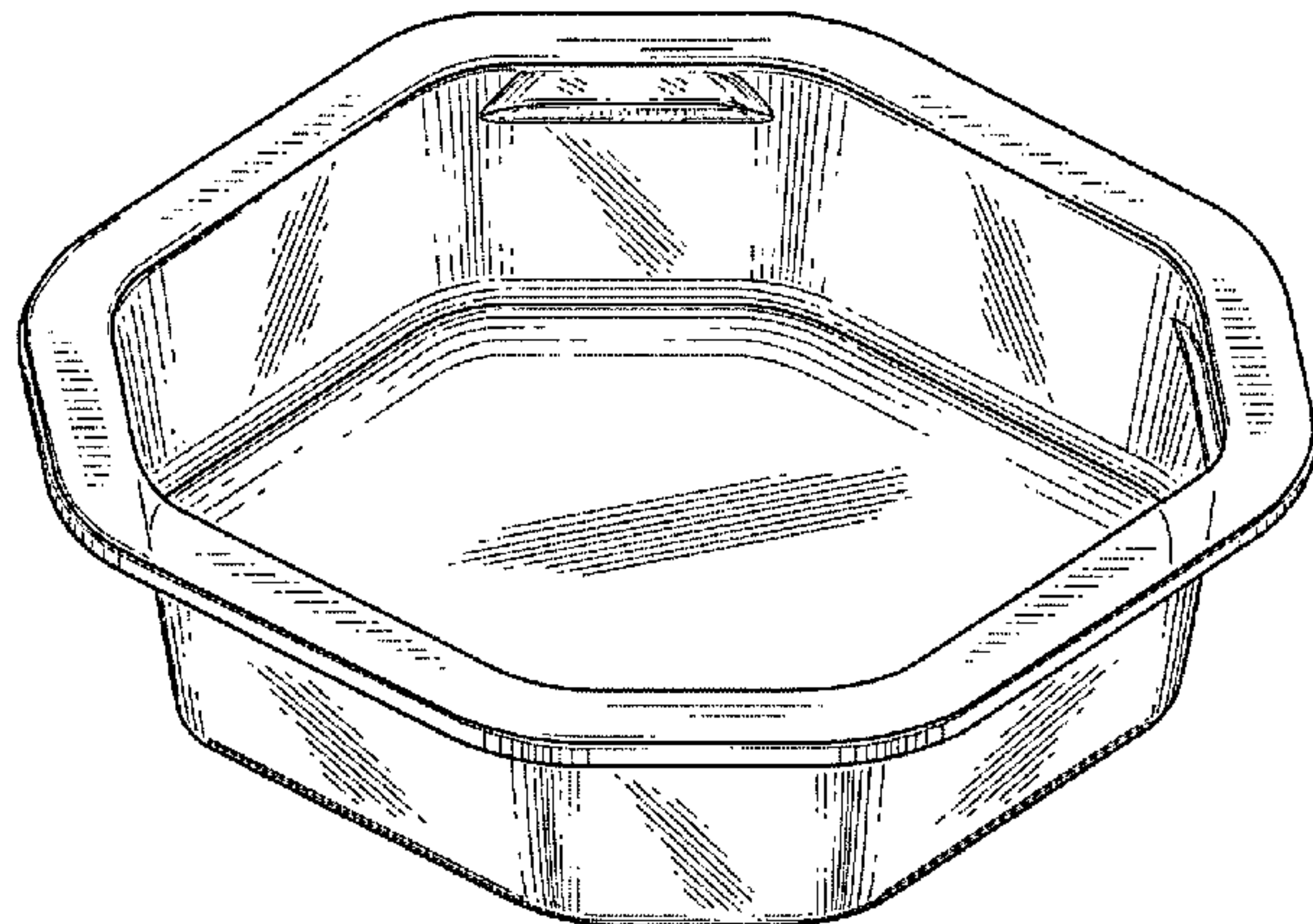
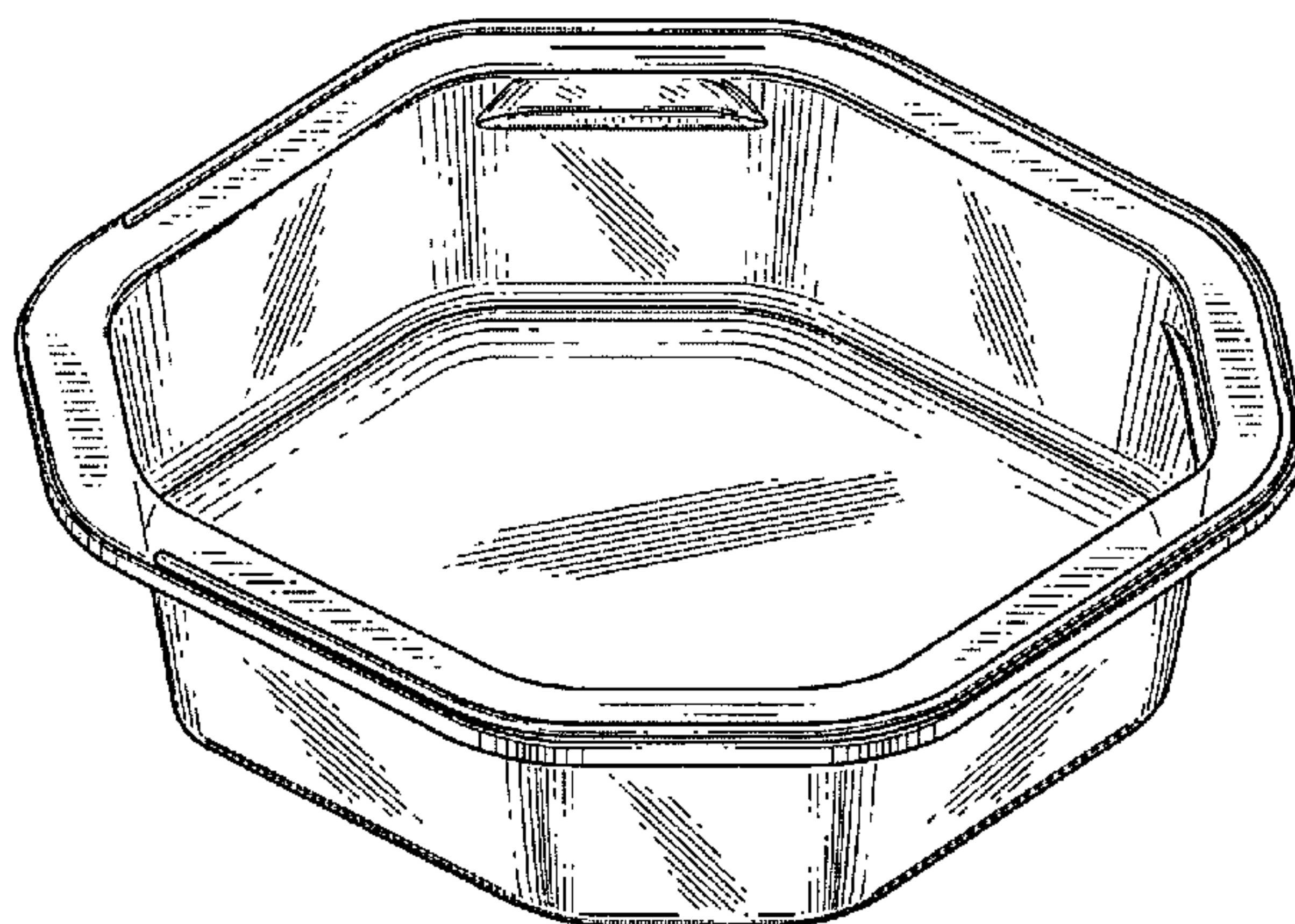
FIG. 8: is a left side view of the design shown in FIG. 7, the right side view being identical thereto;

FIG. 9: is a top view of the design shown in FIG. 7; and,

FIG. 10: is a front view of the design shown in FIG. 7, the rear view being identical thereto.

The bottom of the transparent container forms no part of the claimed design.

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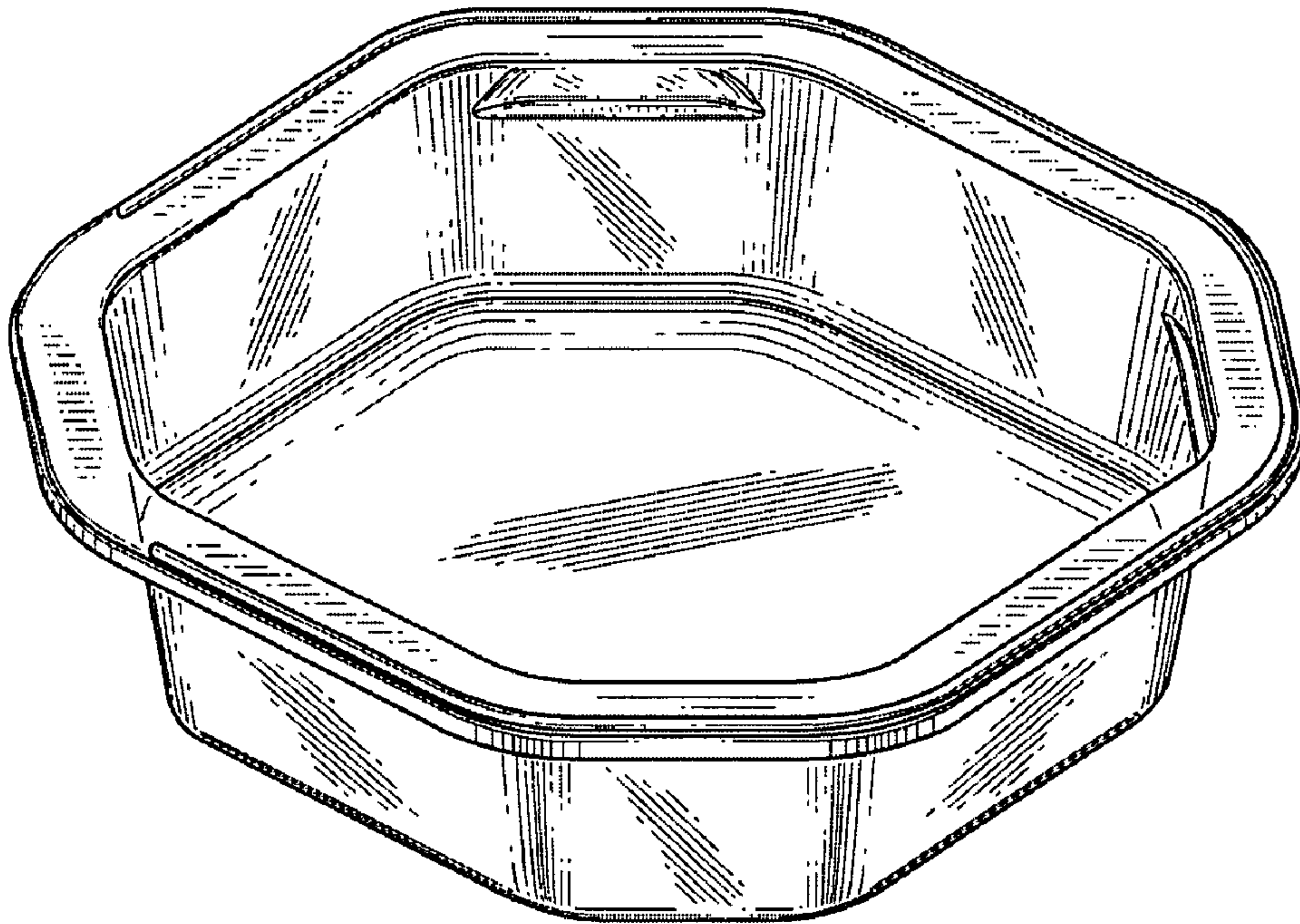


FIG. 1

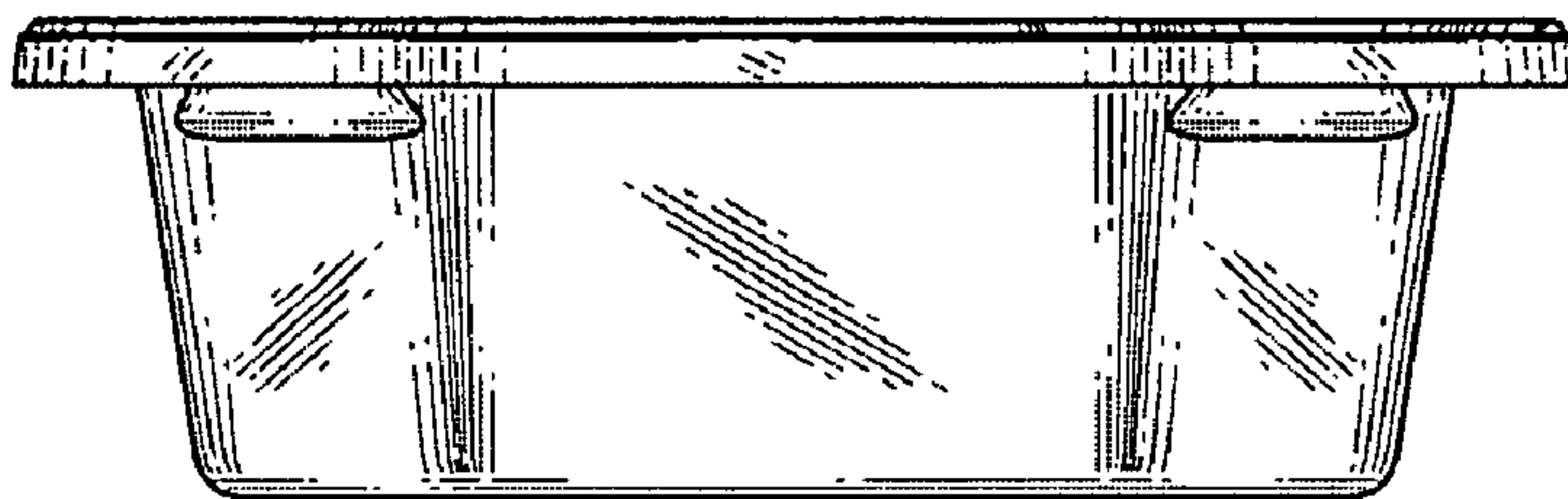


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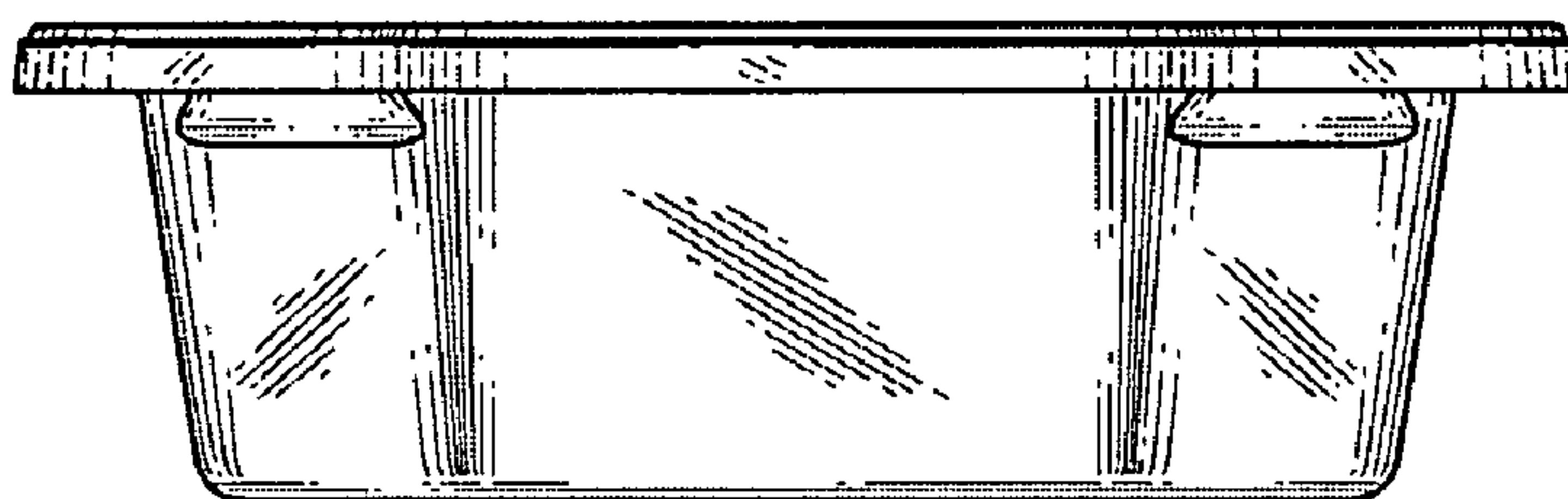


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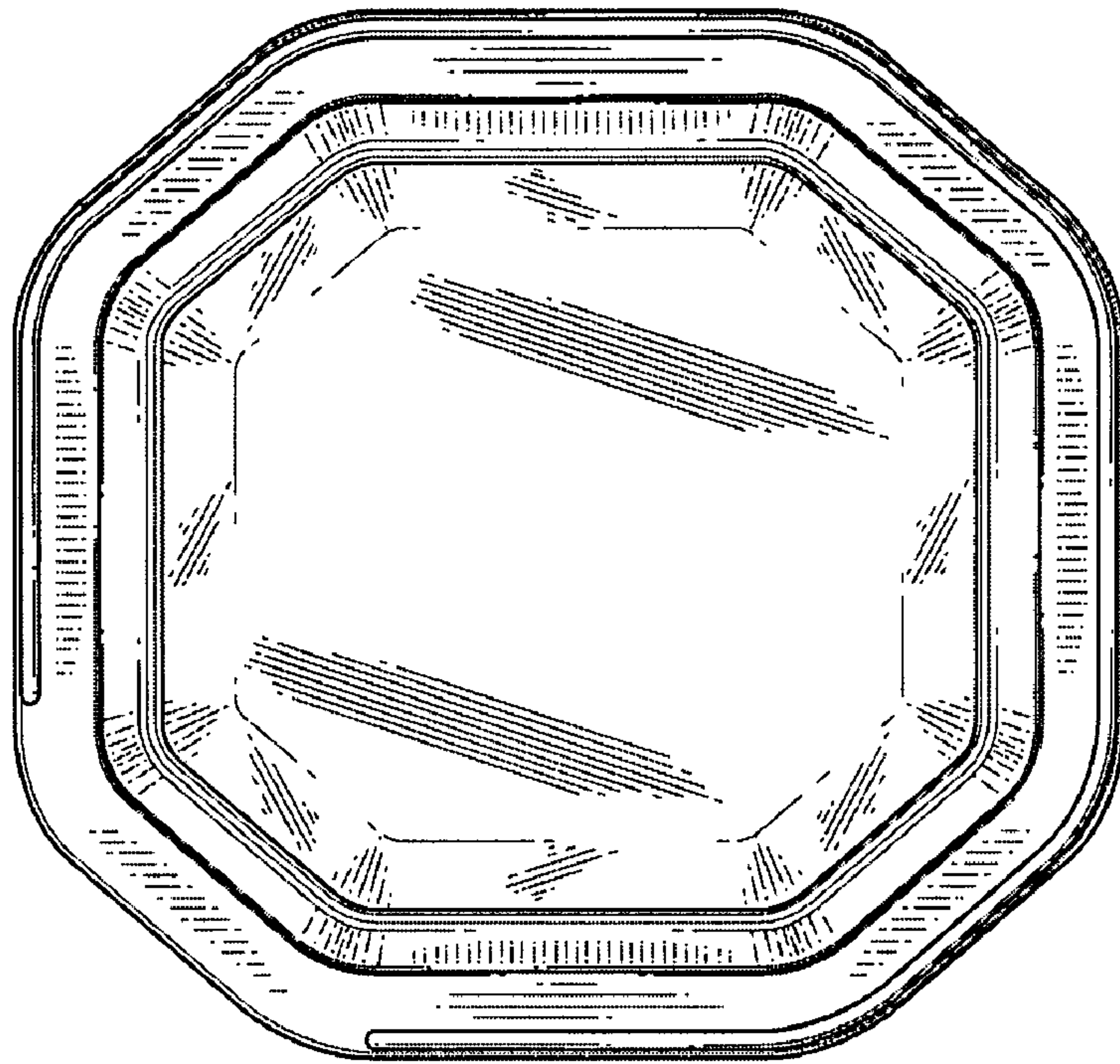


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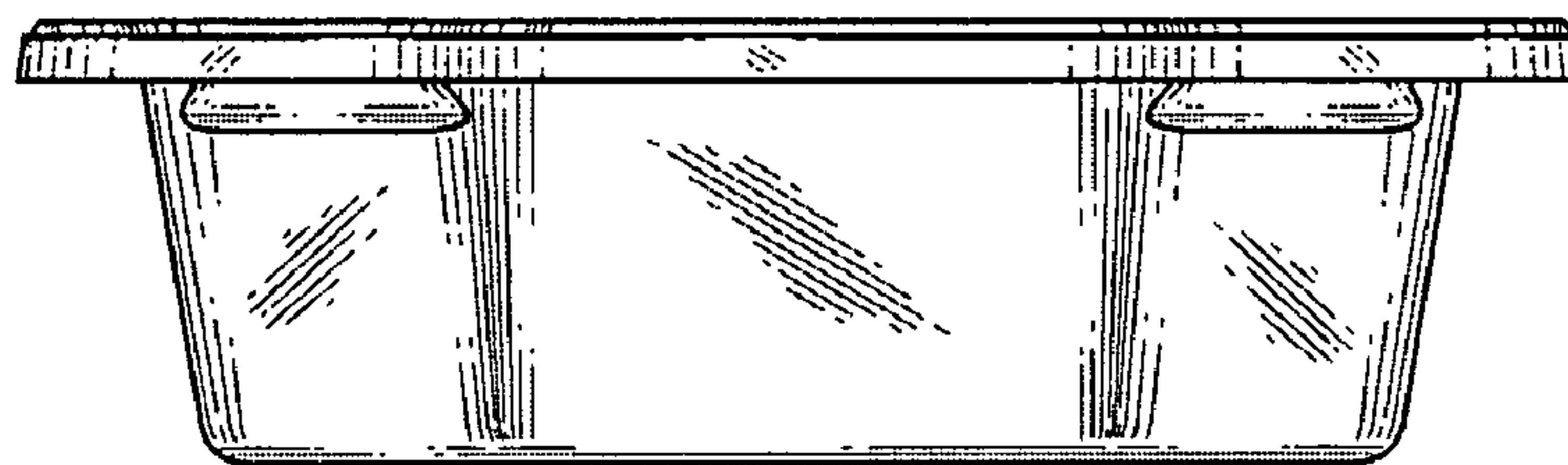


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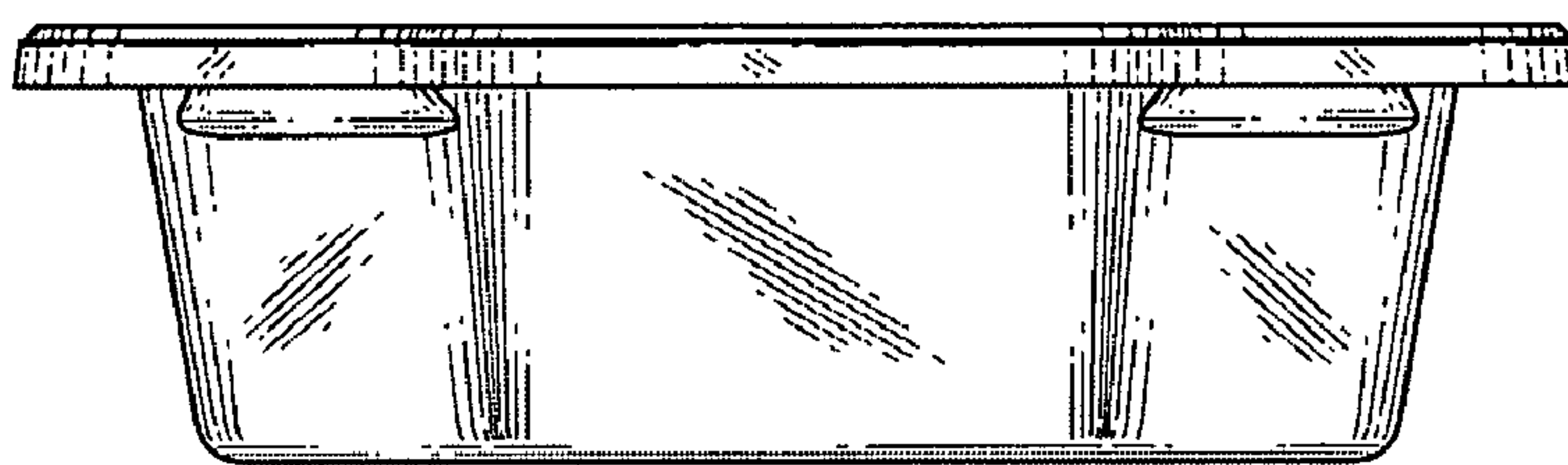


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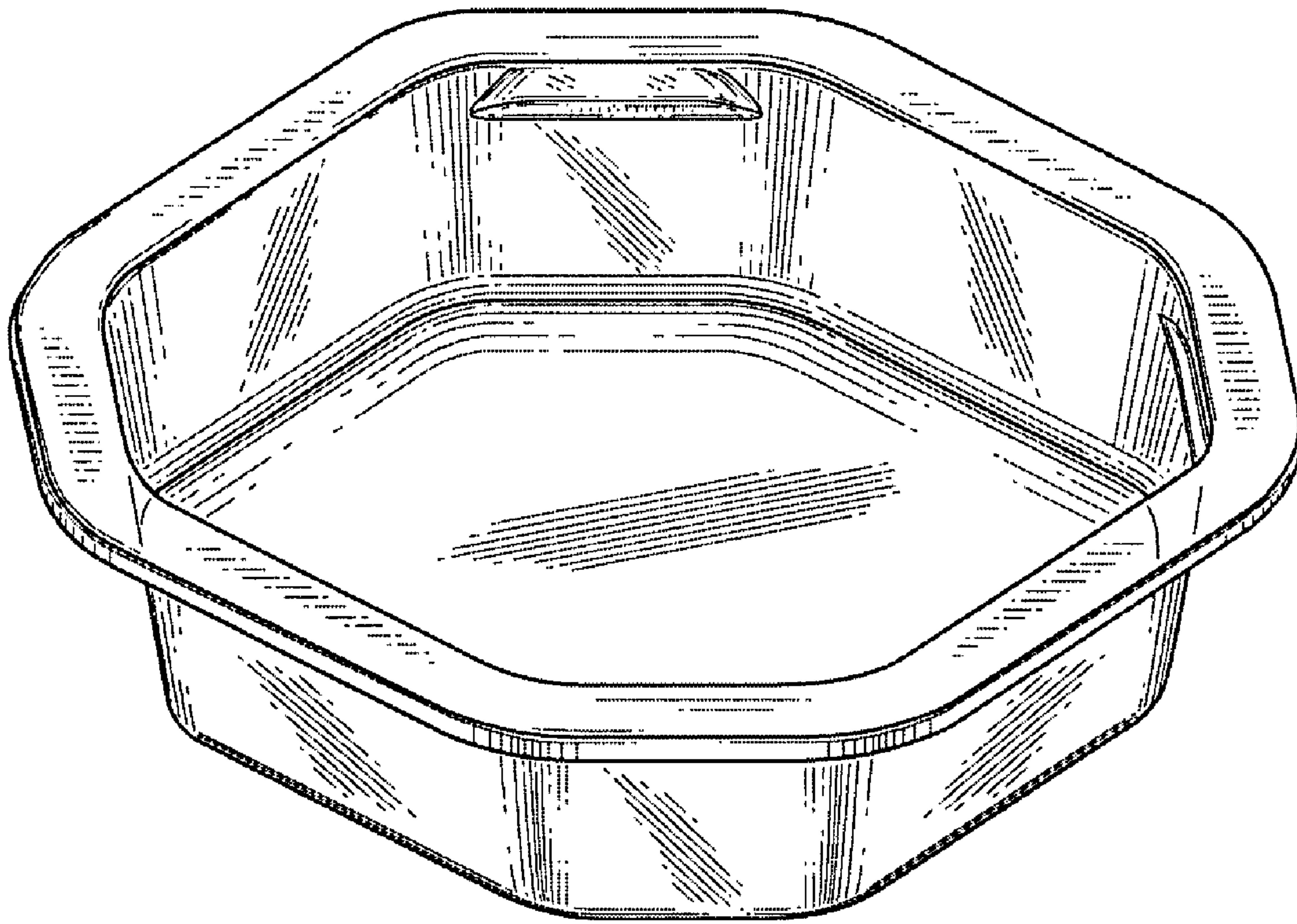


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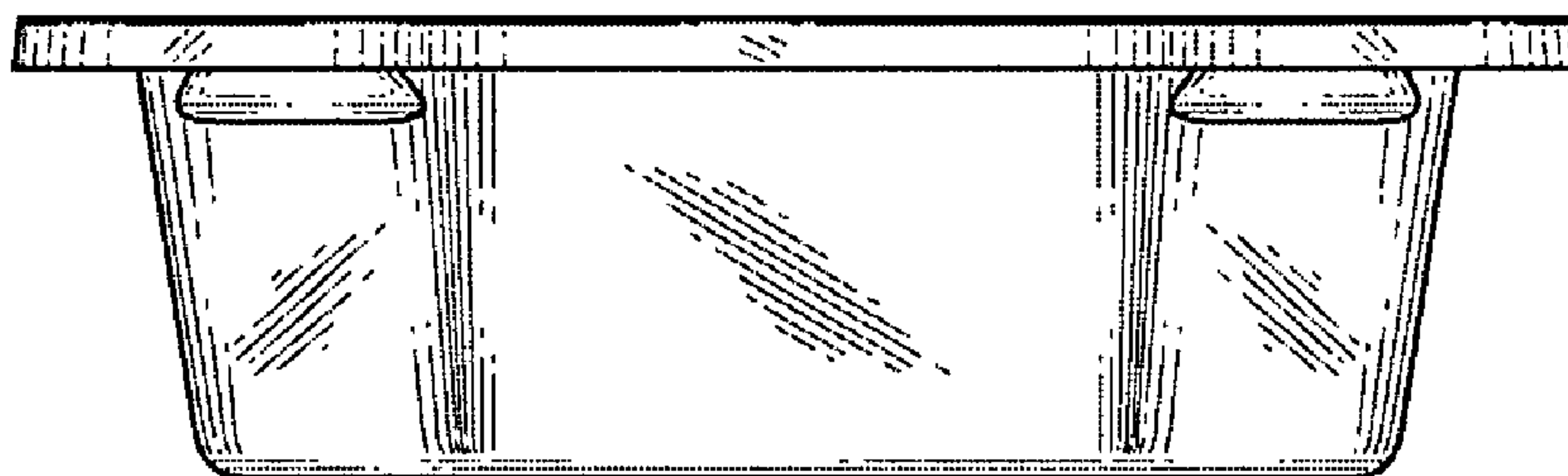


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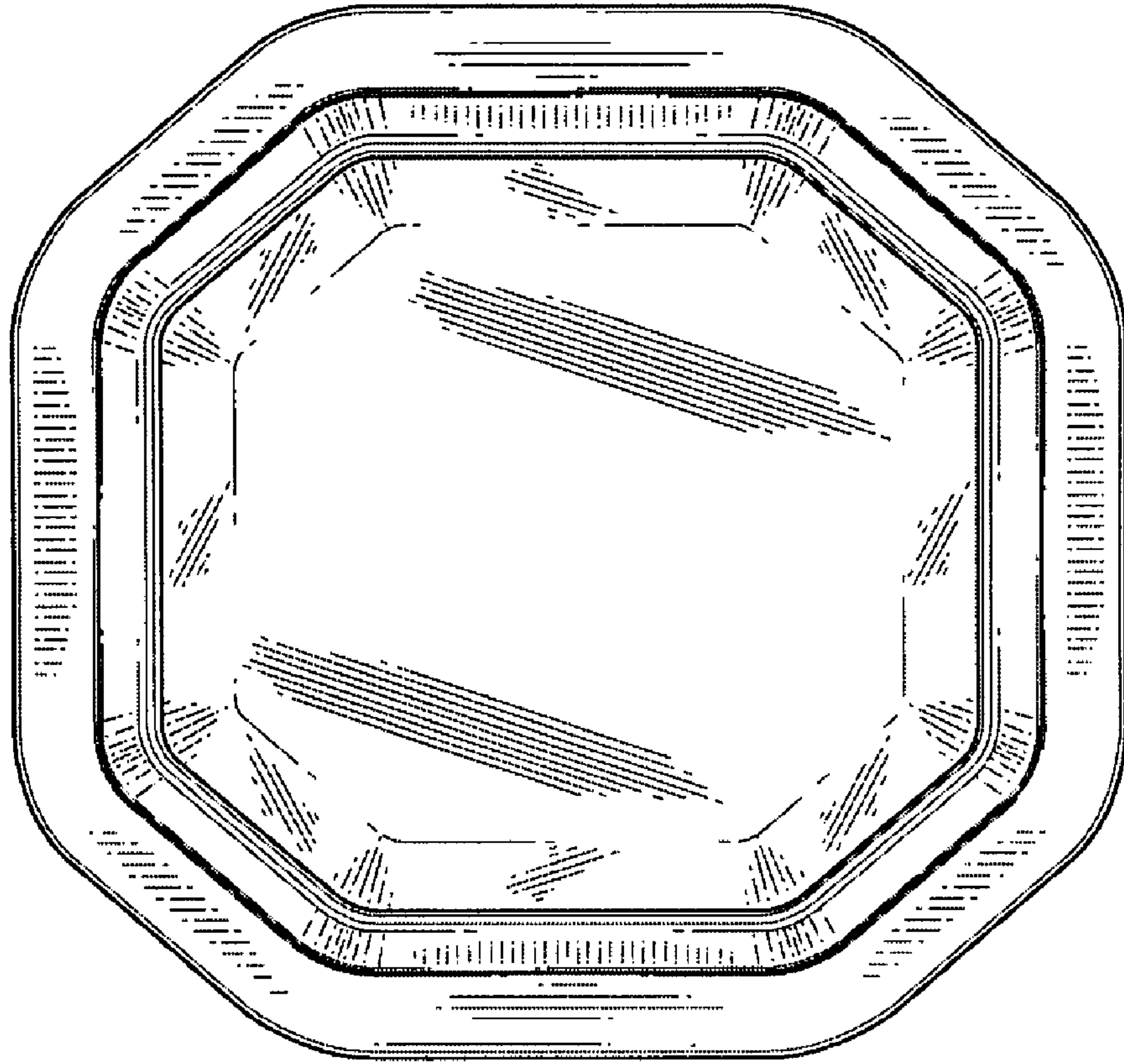


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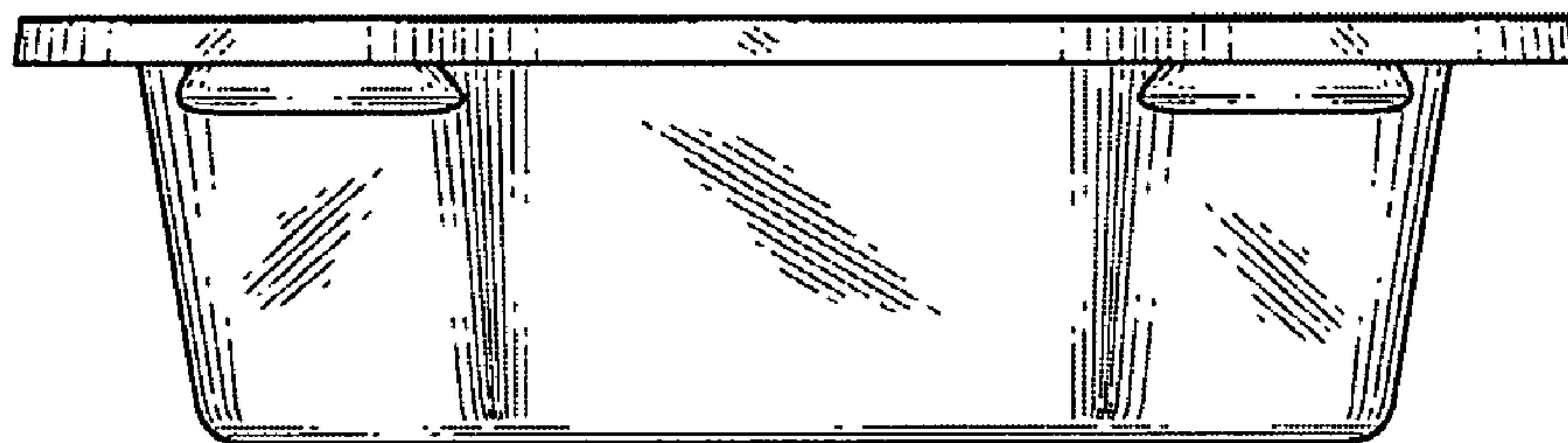


FIG. 10