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(54) **COMBINED TOBACCO BLOCK AND WRAPPER**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a combined tobacco block and wrapper, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a combined tobacco block and wrapper showing our new design.

FIG. 2 is a side elevational view, the other side being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 3 is a top plan view, the bottom plan view being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 4 is an end elevational view, the other end being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 5 is a perspective view showing the combined tobacco block and wrapper in a closed position.

FIG. 6 is a perspective view thereof in a partially open position.

FIG. 7 is a perspective view thereof in a fully open position.

FIG. 8 is a side elevational view thereof in a closed position, the other side being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 9 is a top plan view thereof in a closed position, the bottom plan view being a mirror image thereof; and,

FIG. 10 is an end elevational view thereof in a closed position, the other end being a mirror image thereof.

The broken lines shown in the drawings illustrate portions of the article and form no part of the claimed design.

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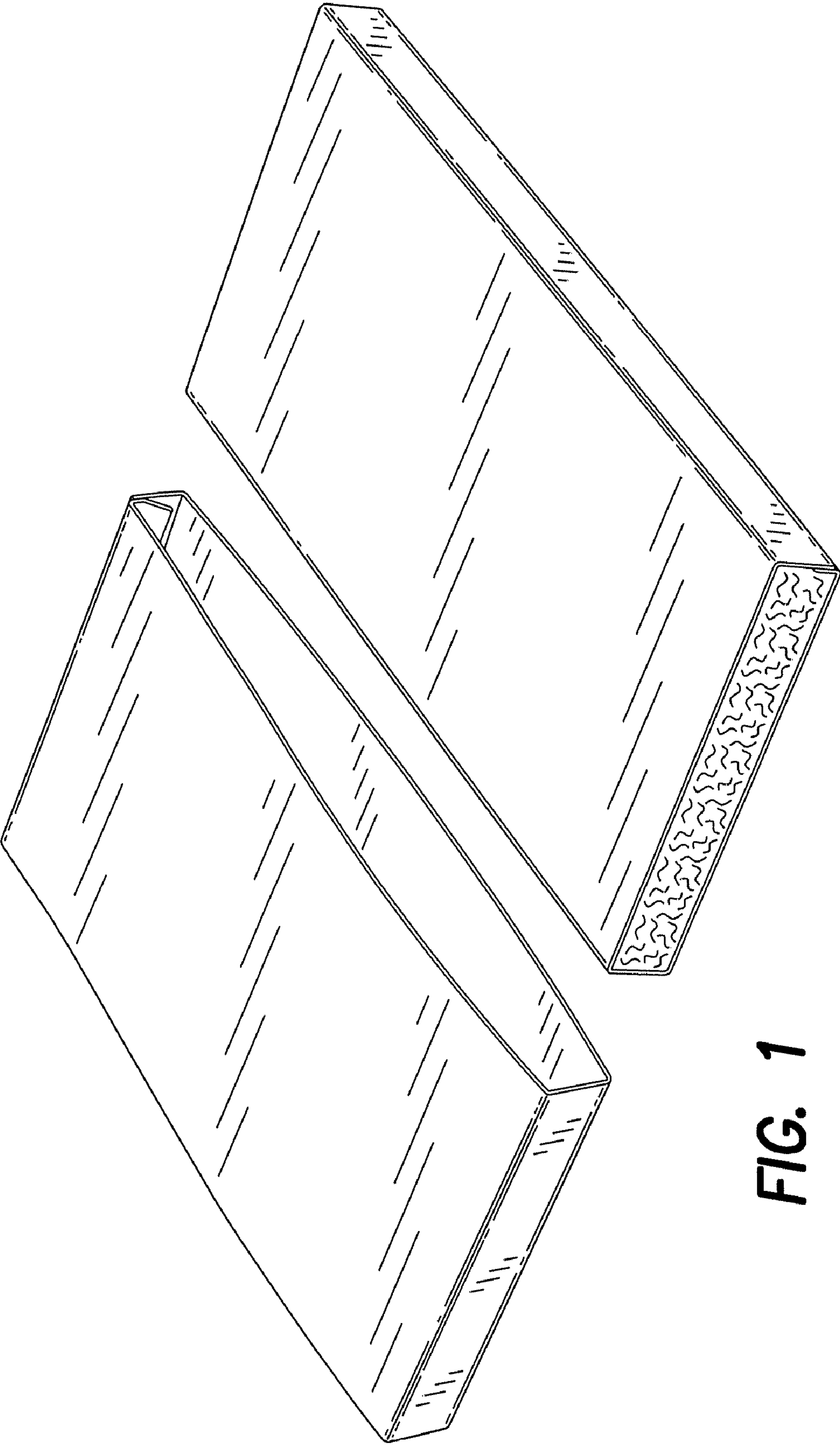


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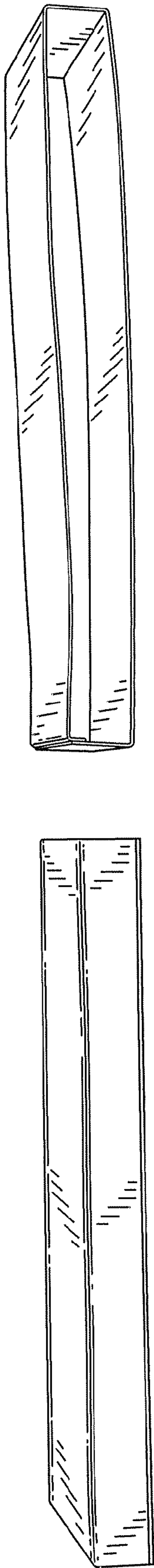


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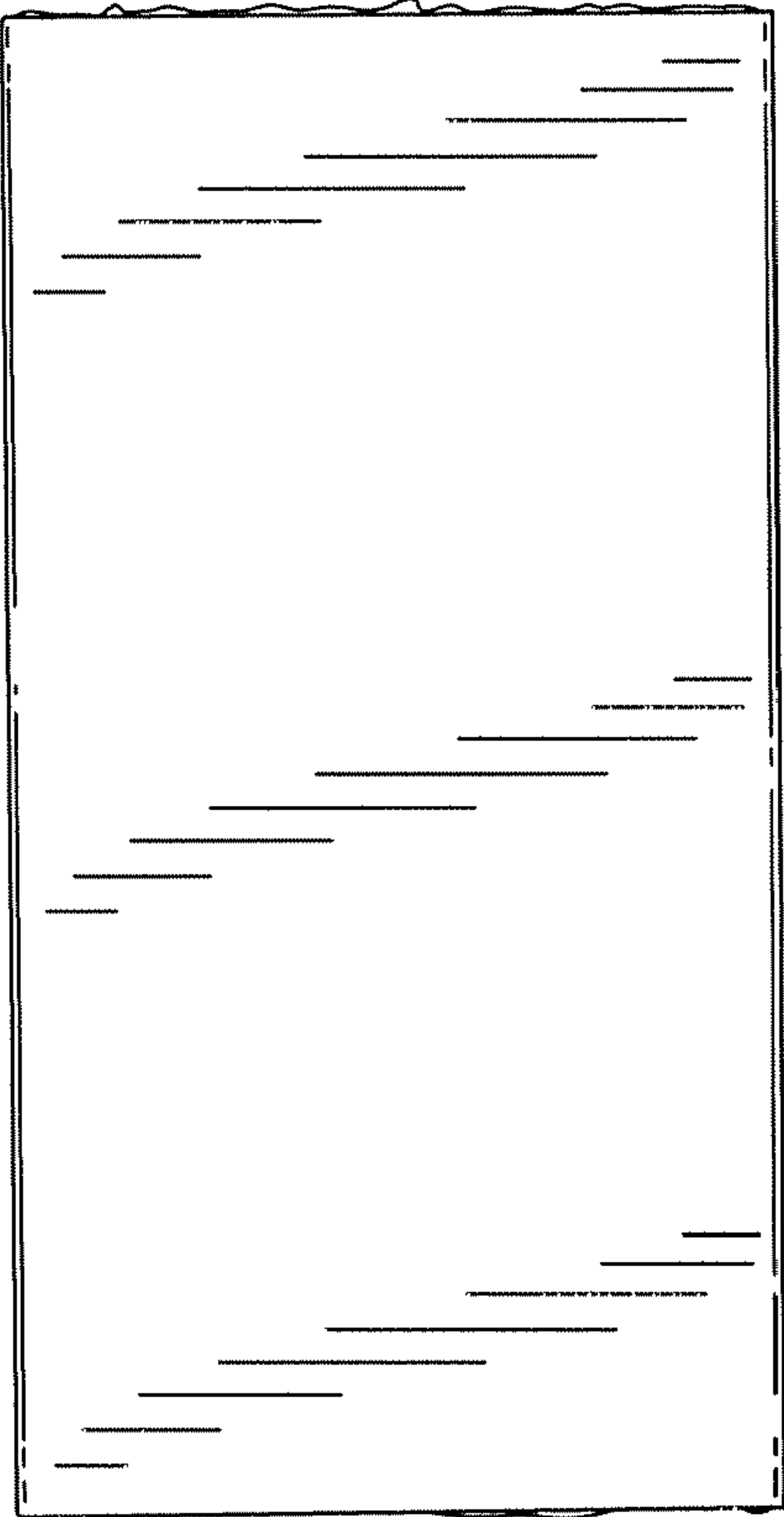
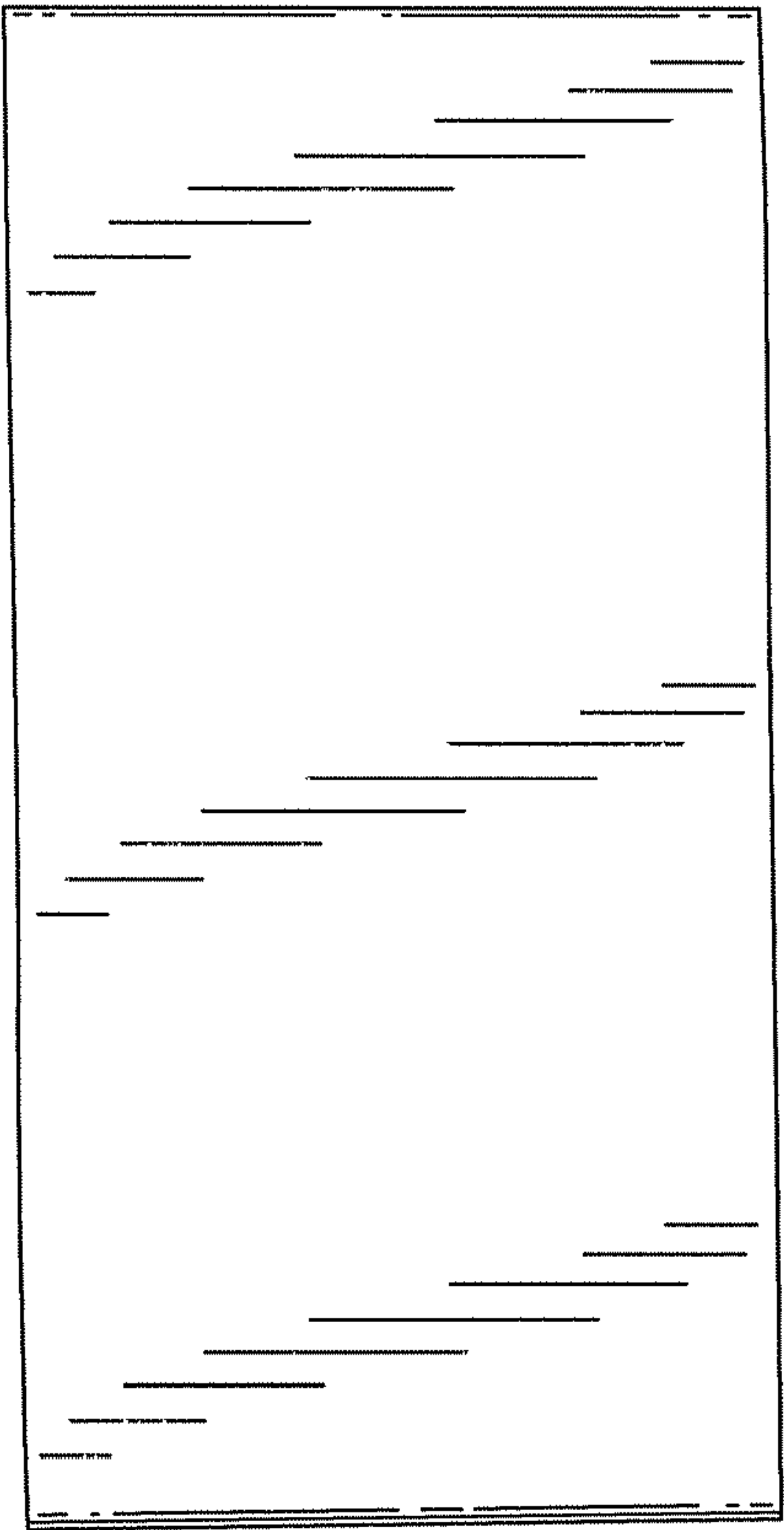


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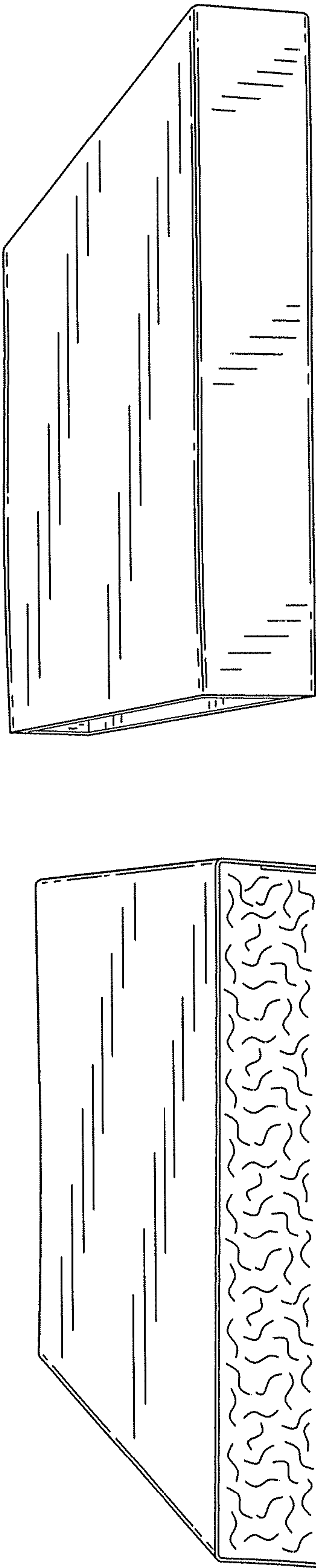


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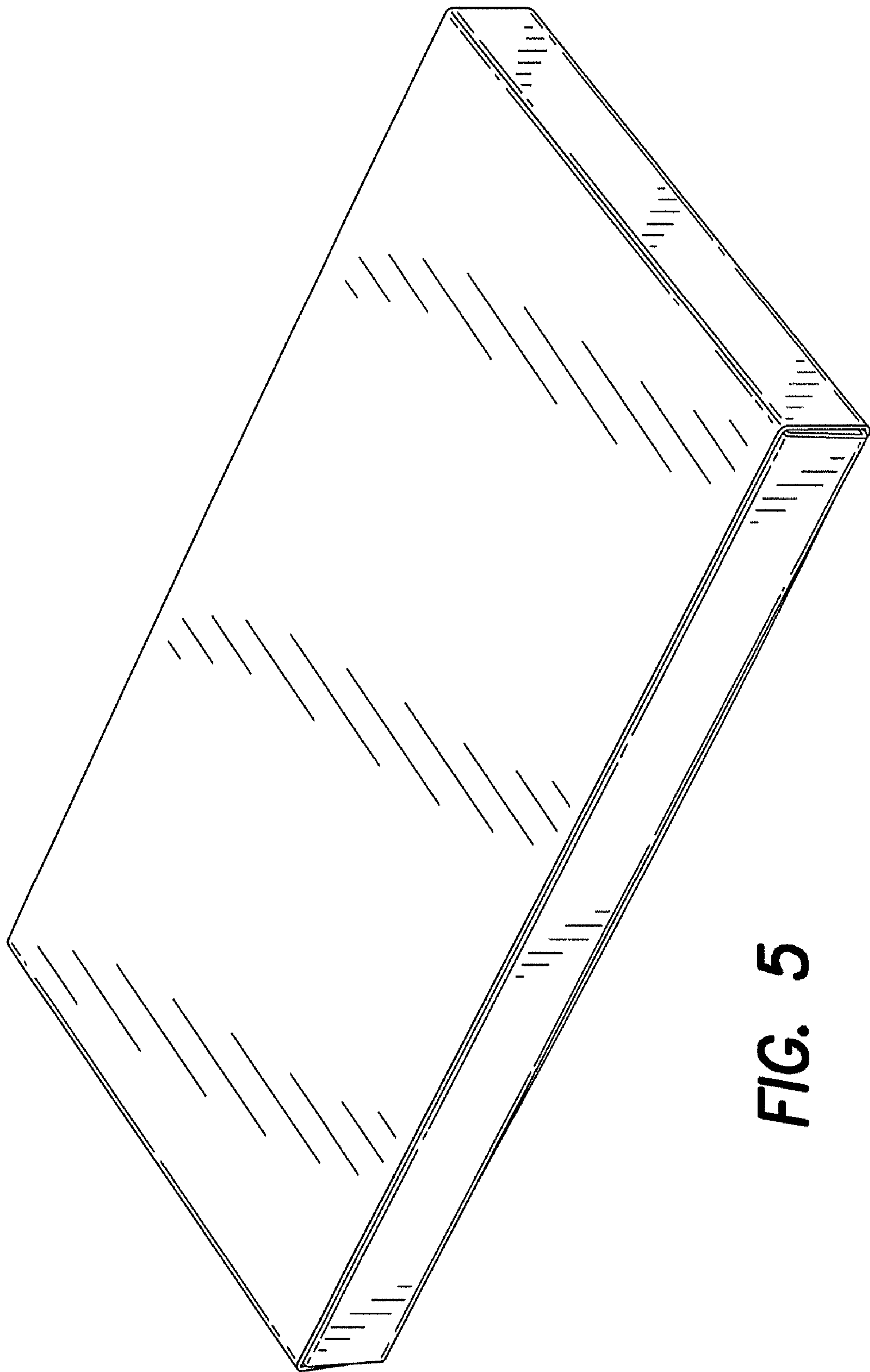


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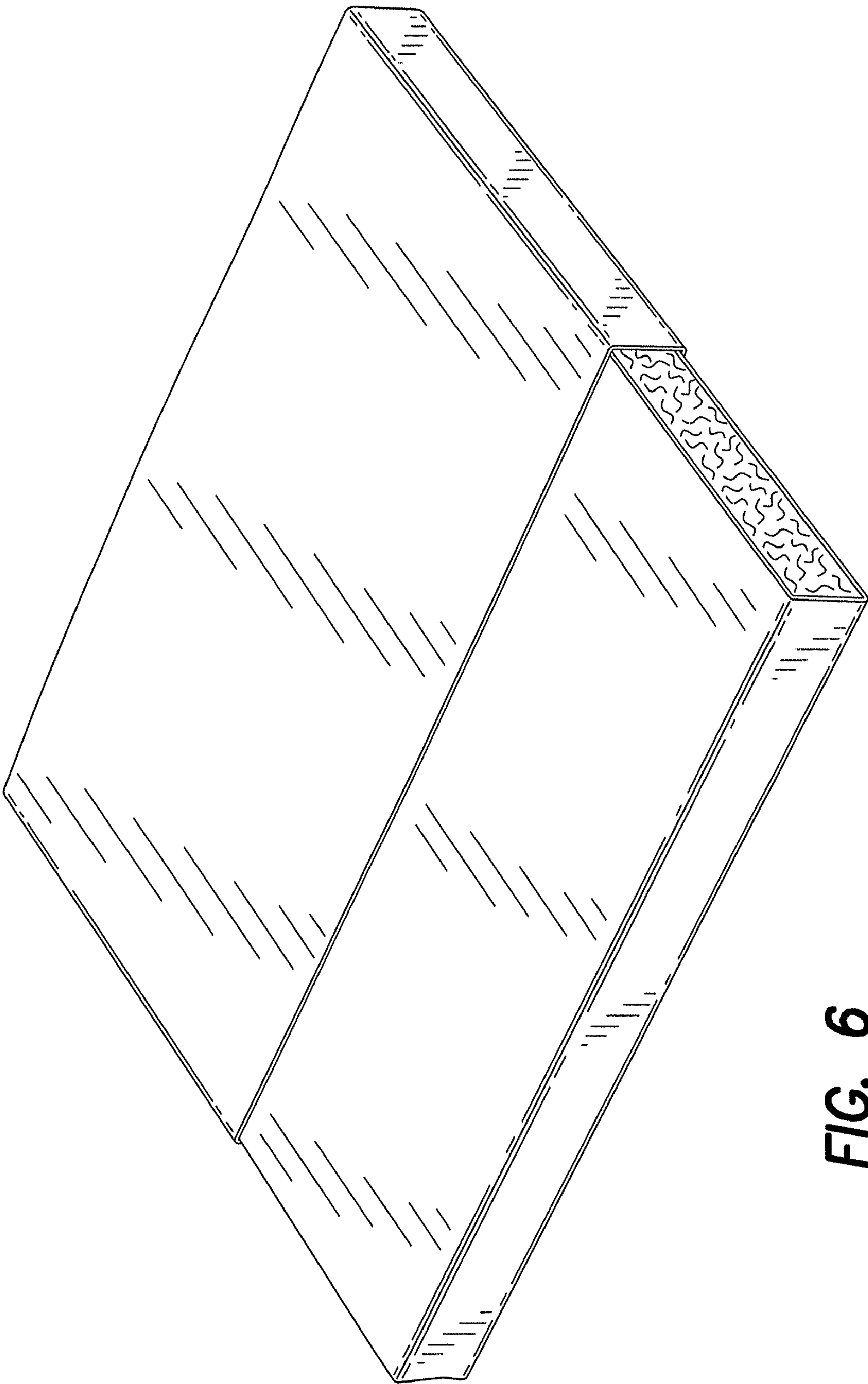


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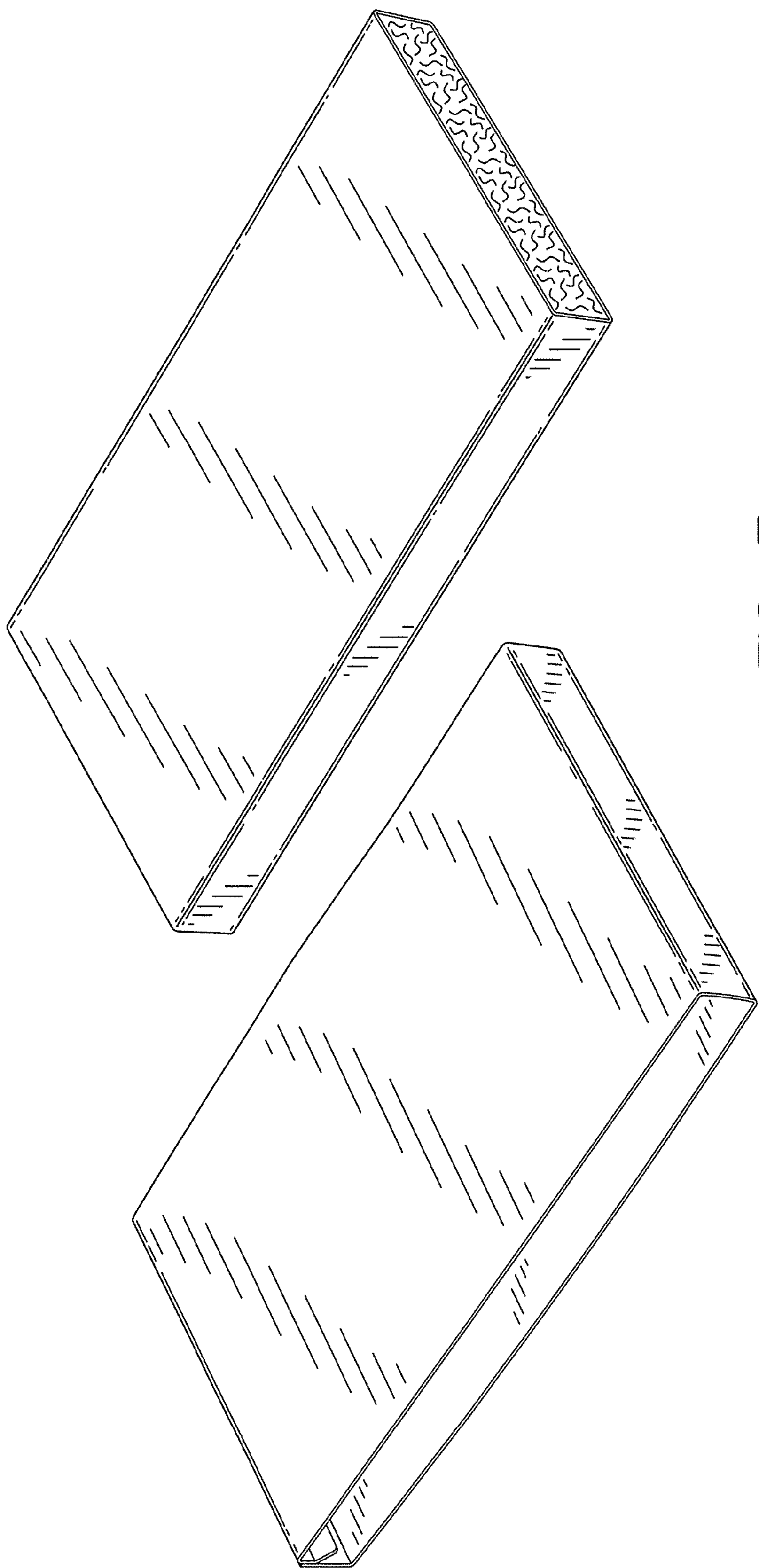


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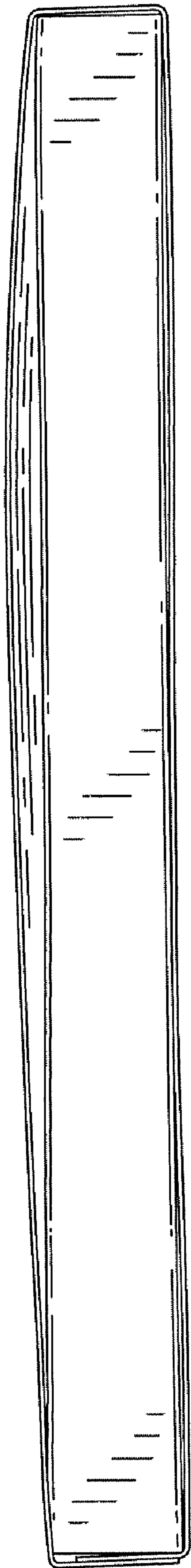


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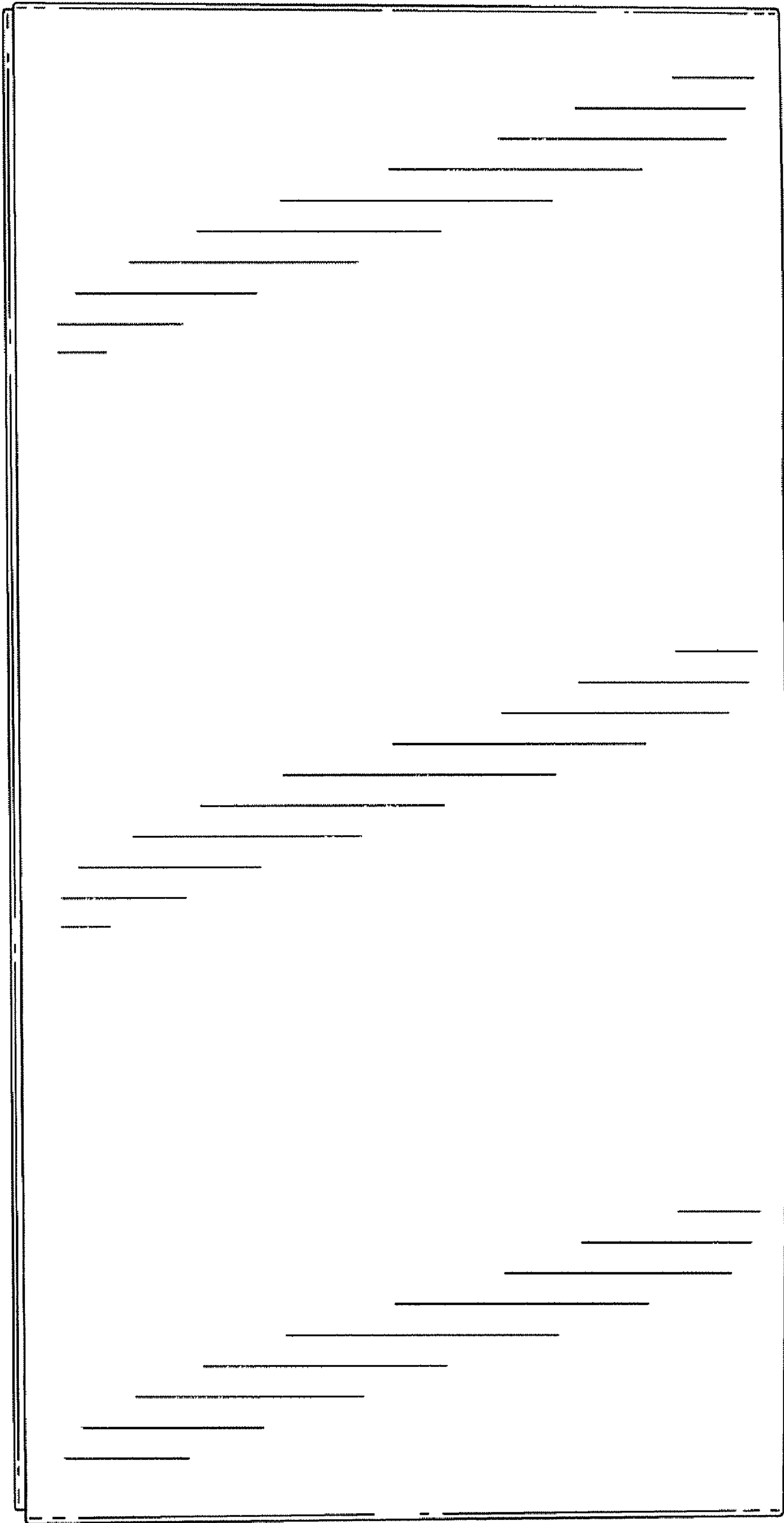


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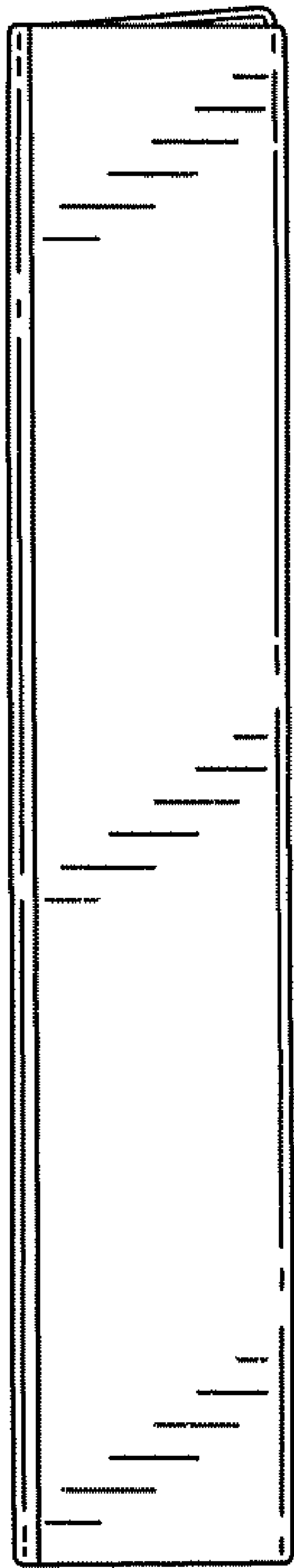


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