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(57) **CLAIM**

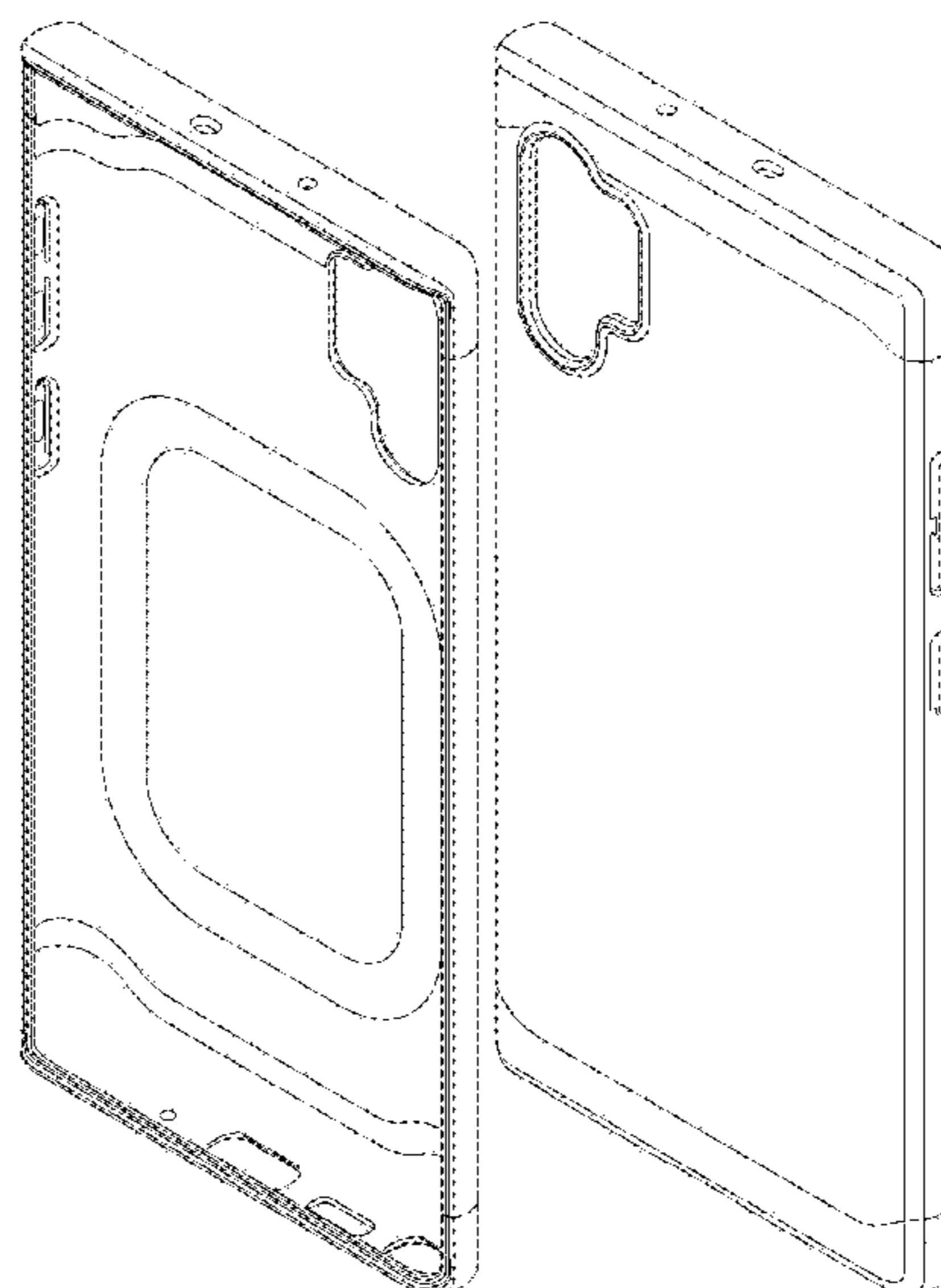
The ornamental design for a case for electronic communications device, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of the case for electronic communications device showing my new design; FIG. 2 is a rear perspective view thereof; FIG. 3 is a front elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a rear elevational view thereof; FIG. 5 is a left side elevational view thereof; FIG. 6 is a right side elevational view thereof; FIG. 7 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 8 is a bottom plan view thereof; FIG. 9 is a front perspective view showing the upper frame component of the case in isolation; FIG. 10 is a rear perspective view showing the upper frame component of the case in isolation; FIG. 11 is a front perspective view showing the middle frame component of the case in isolation; FIG. 12 is a rear perspective view showing the middle frame component of the case in isolation; FIG. 13 is a front perspective view showing the bottom frame component of the case in isolation; FIG. 14 is a rear perspective view showing the bottom frame component of the case in isolation; FIG. 15 is an exploded front perspective view showing the components of the case separated; and, FIG. 16 is an exploded rear perspective view showing the components of the case separated.

Although the case for electronic communications device in which the claimed design is embodied has an upper frame component, a middle frame component, and a bottom frame component, the claim is directed to the ornamental appearance of the case in its entirety and does not extend to the ornamental appearance of each of the individual components in isolation.

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FIG. 1

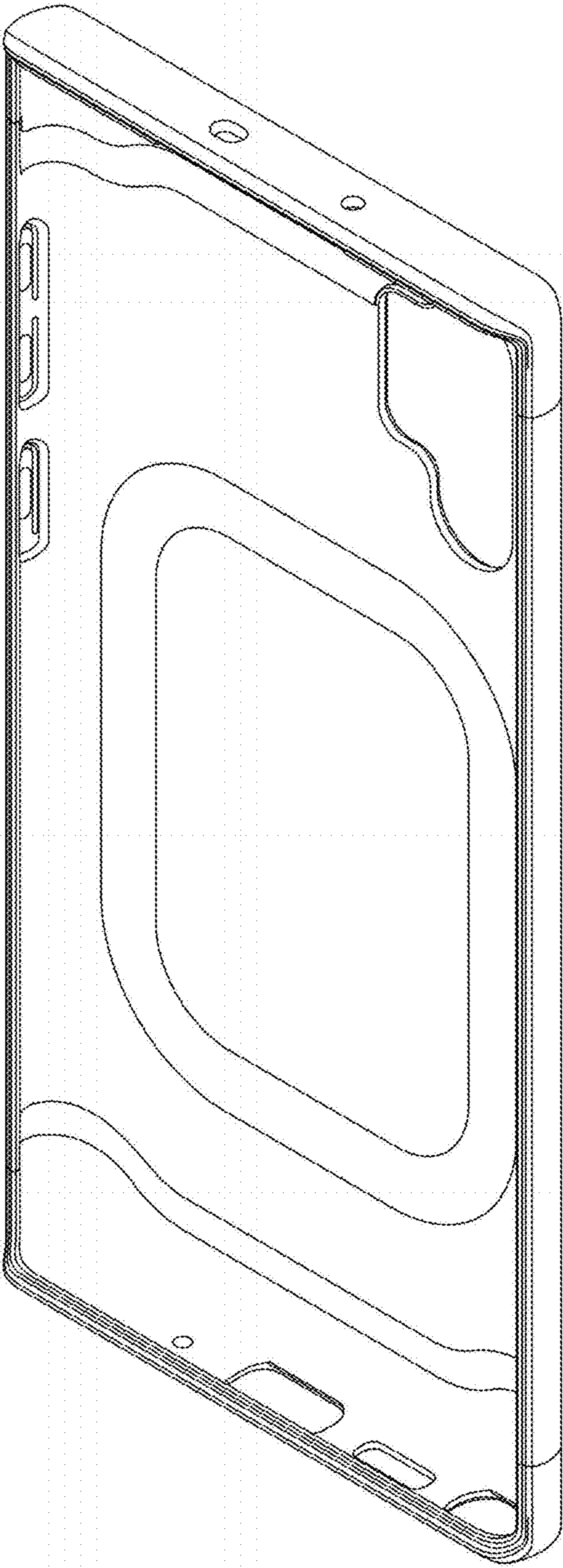


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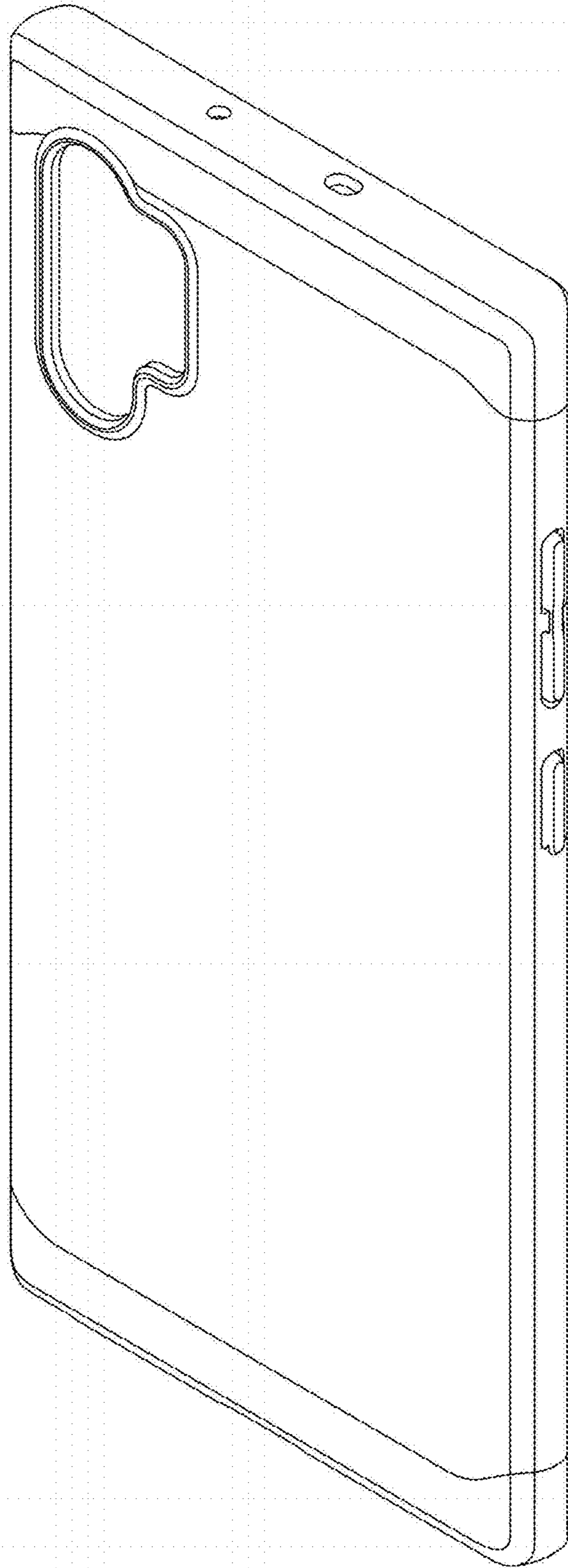


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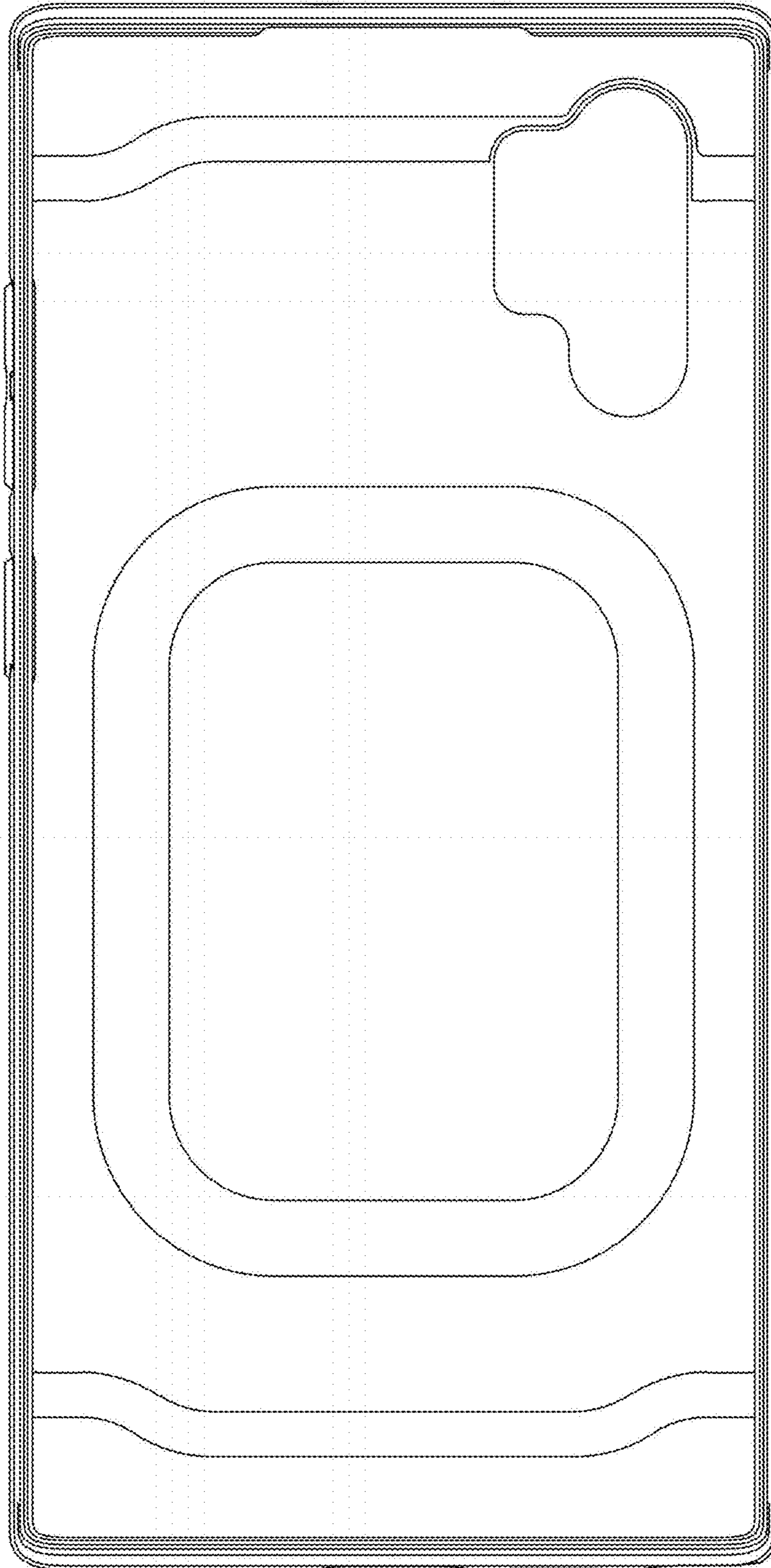


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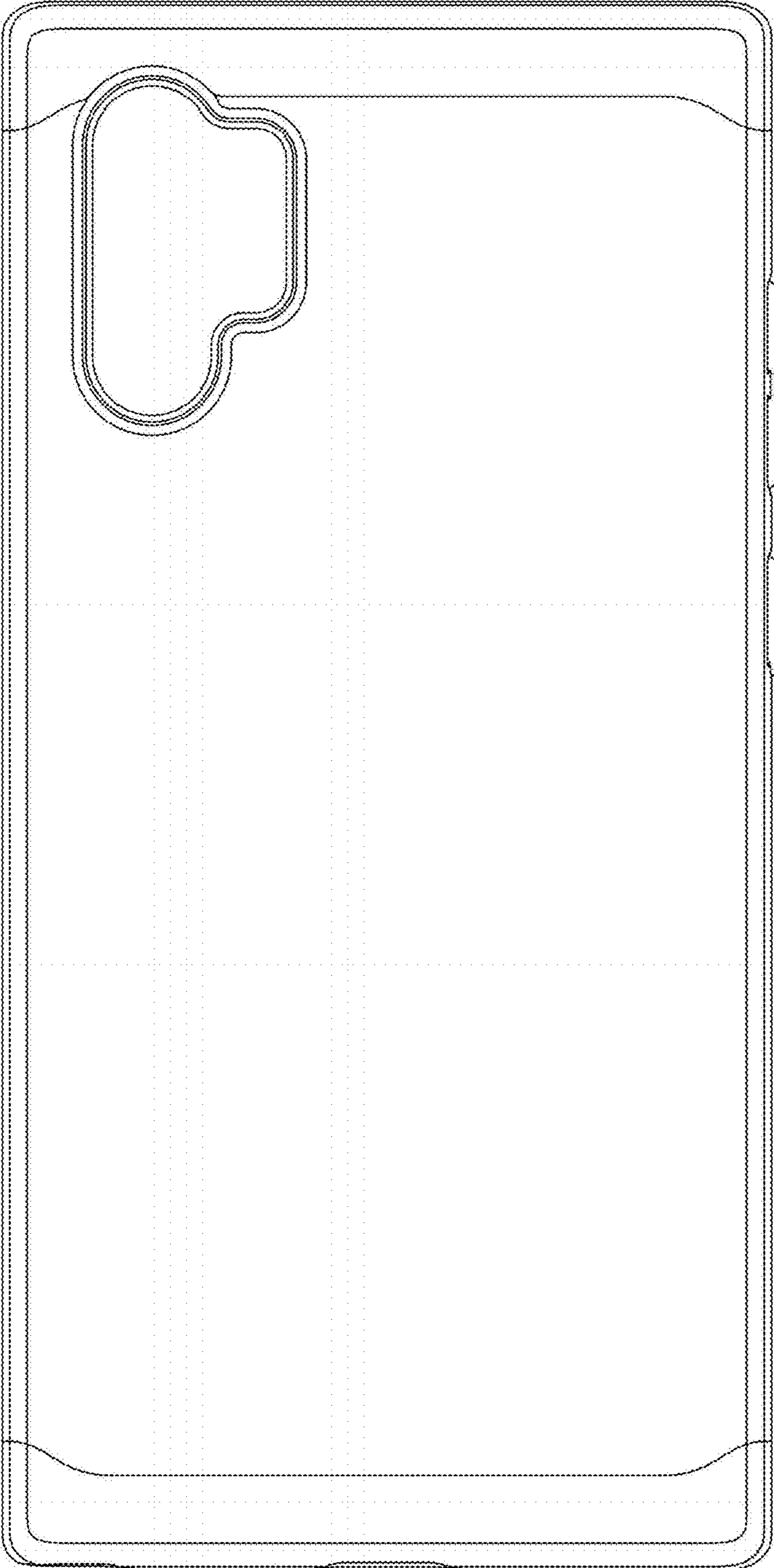




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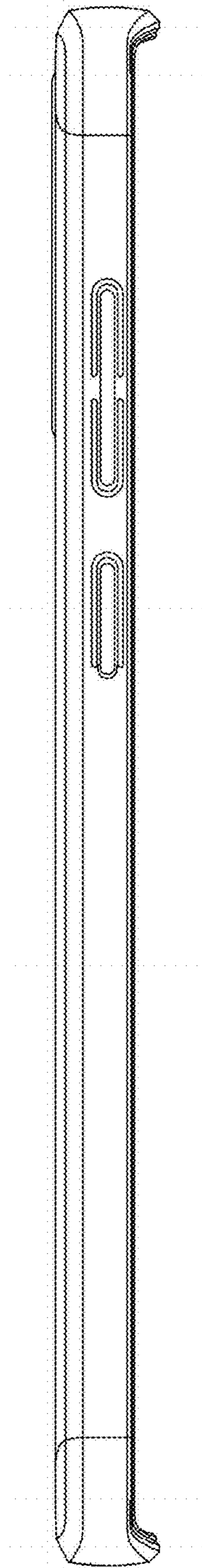


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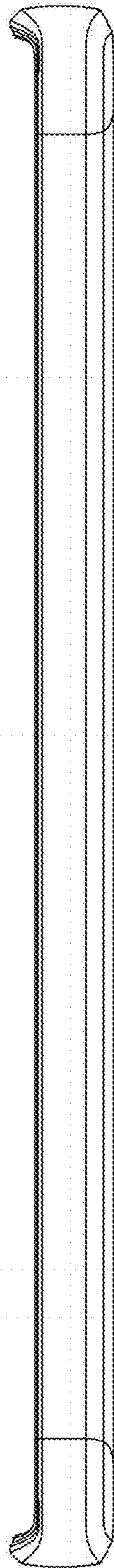




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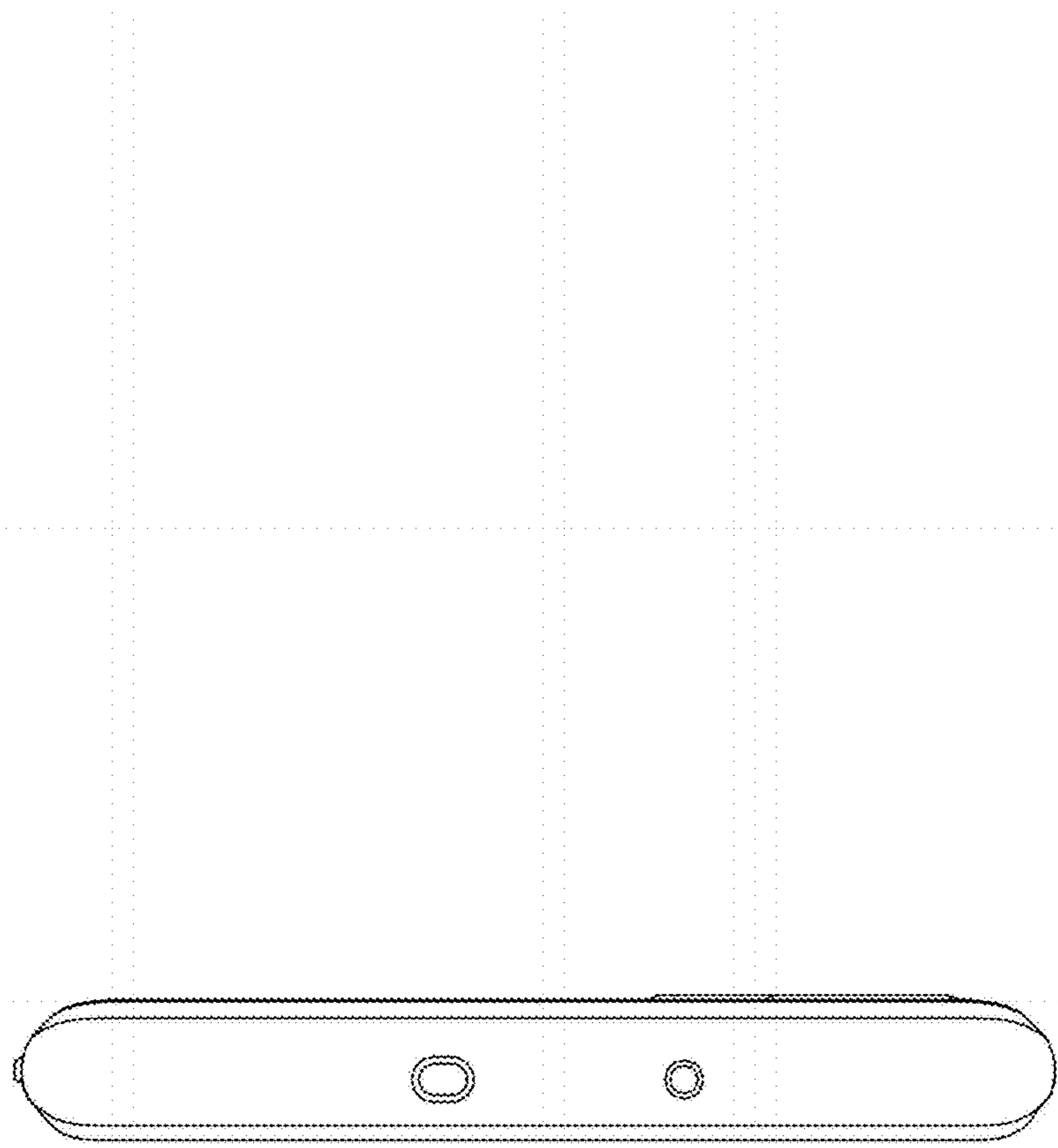


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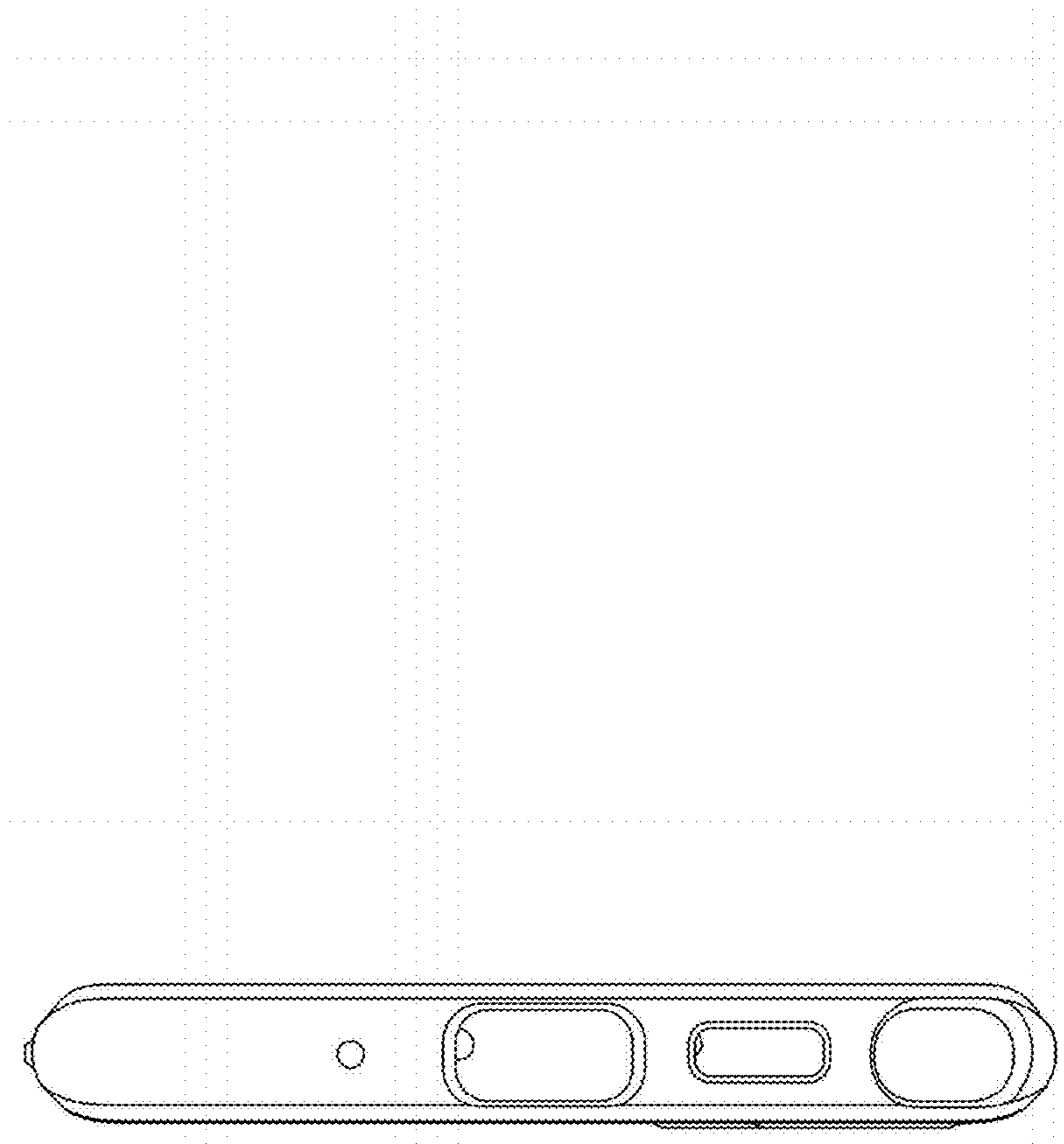




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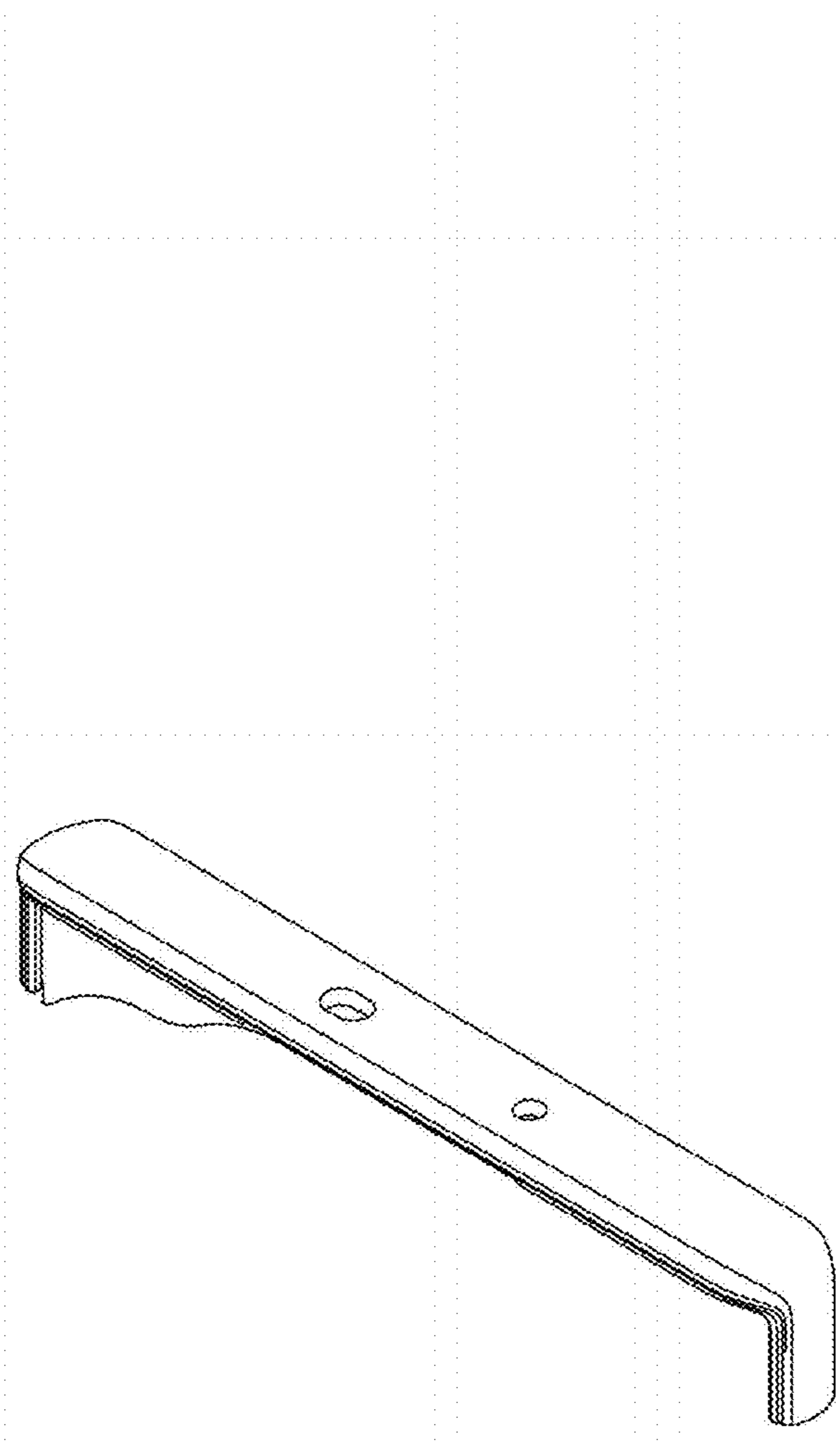


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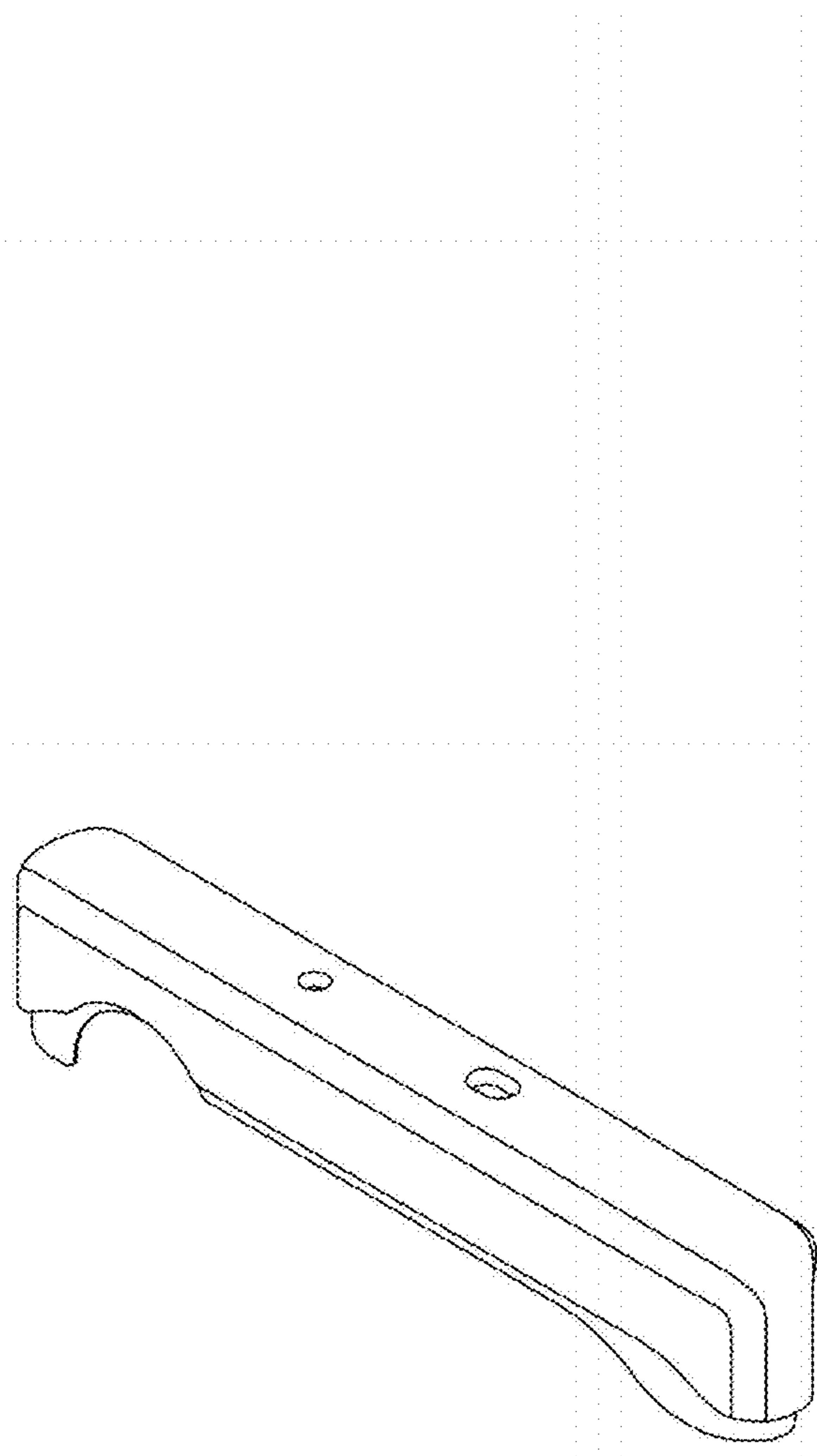




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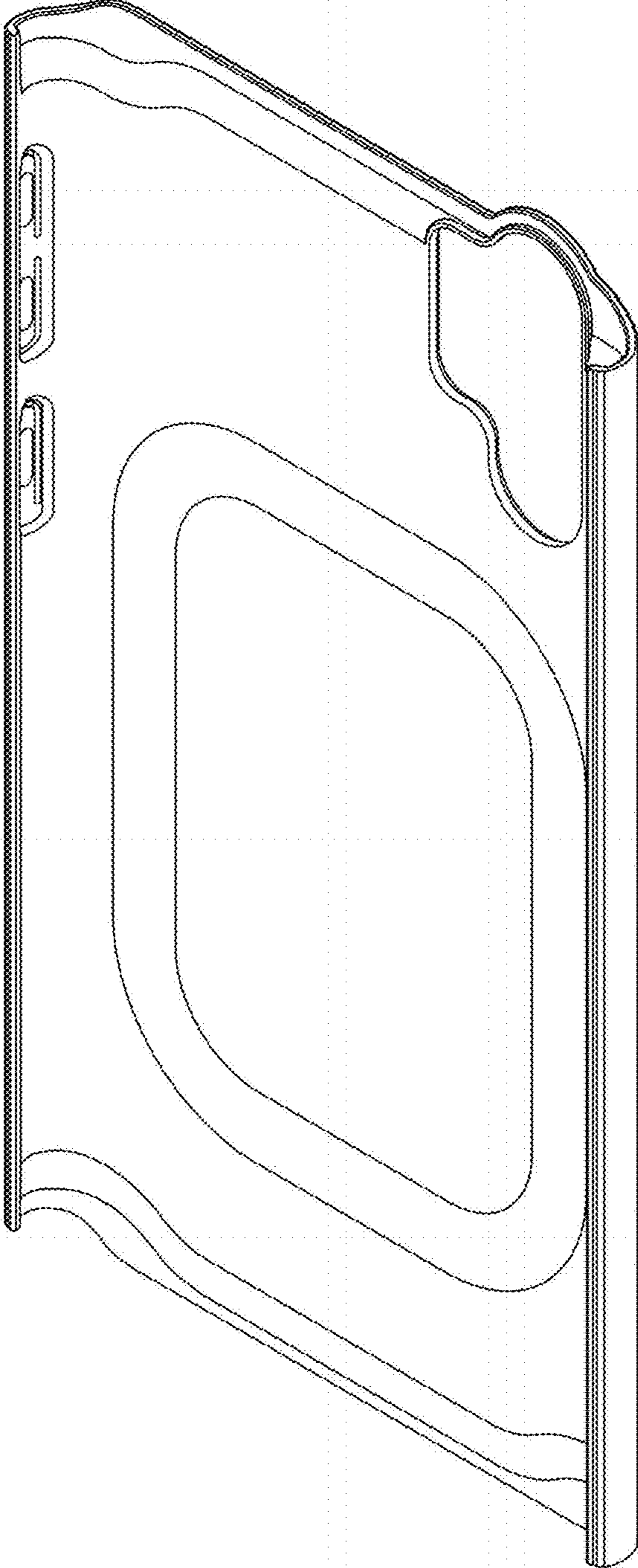


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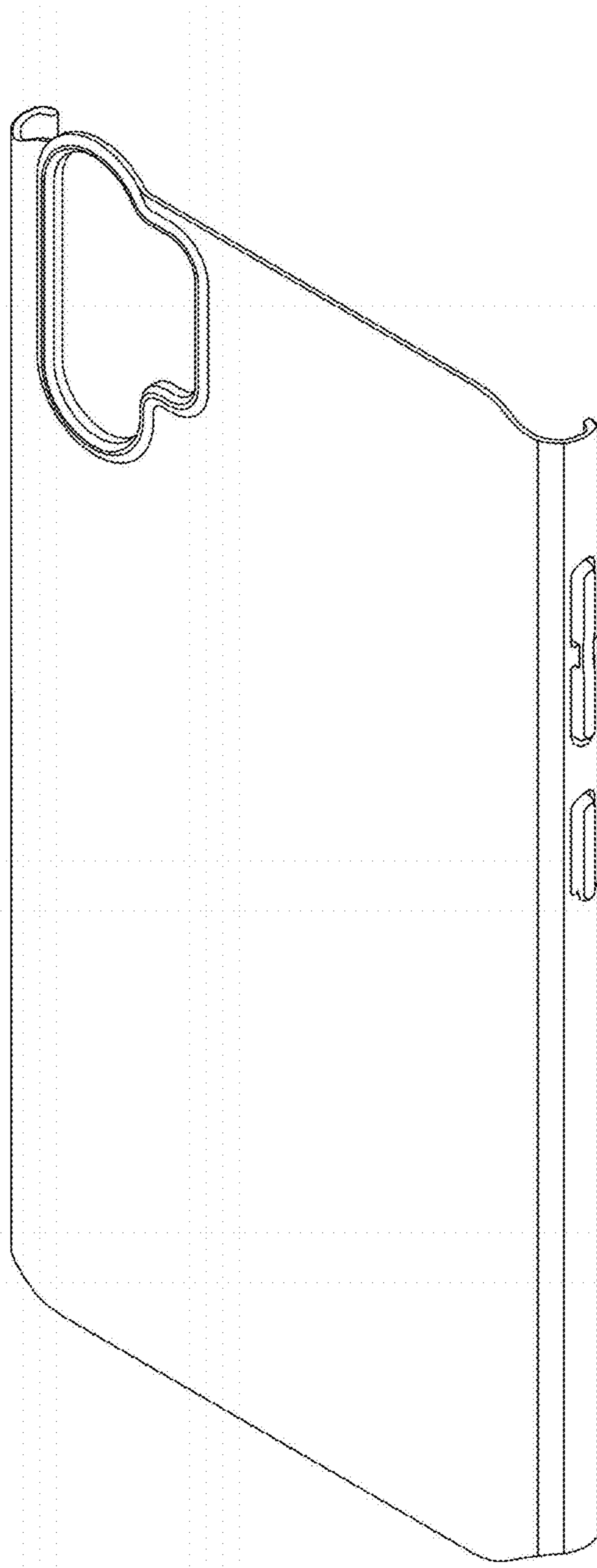


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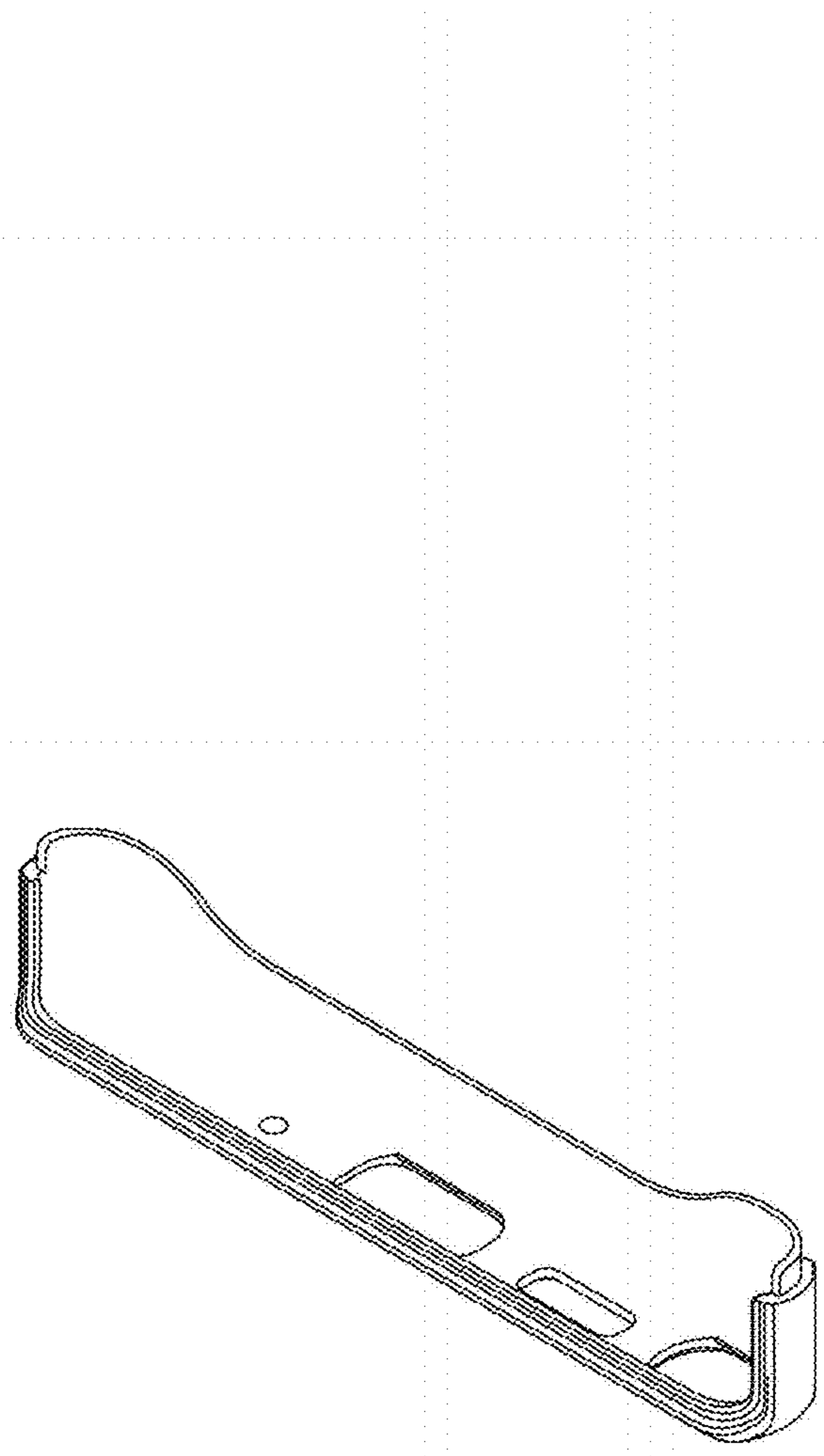


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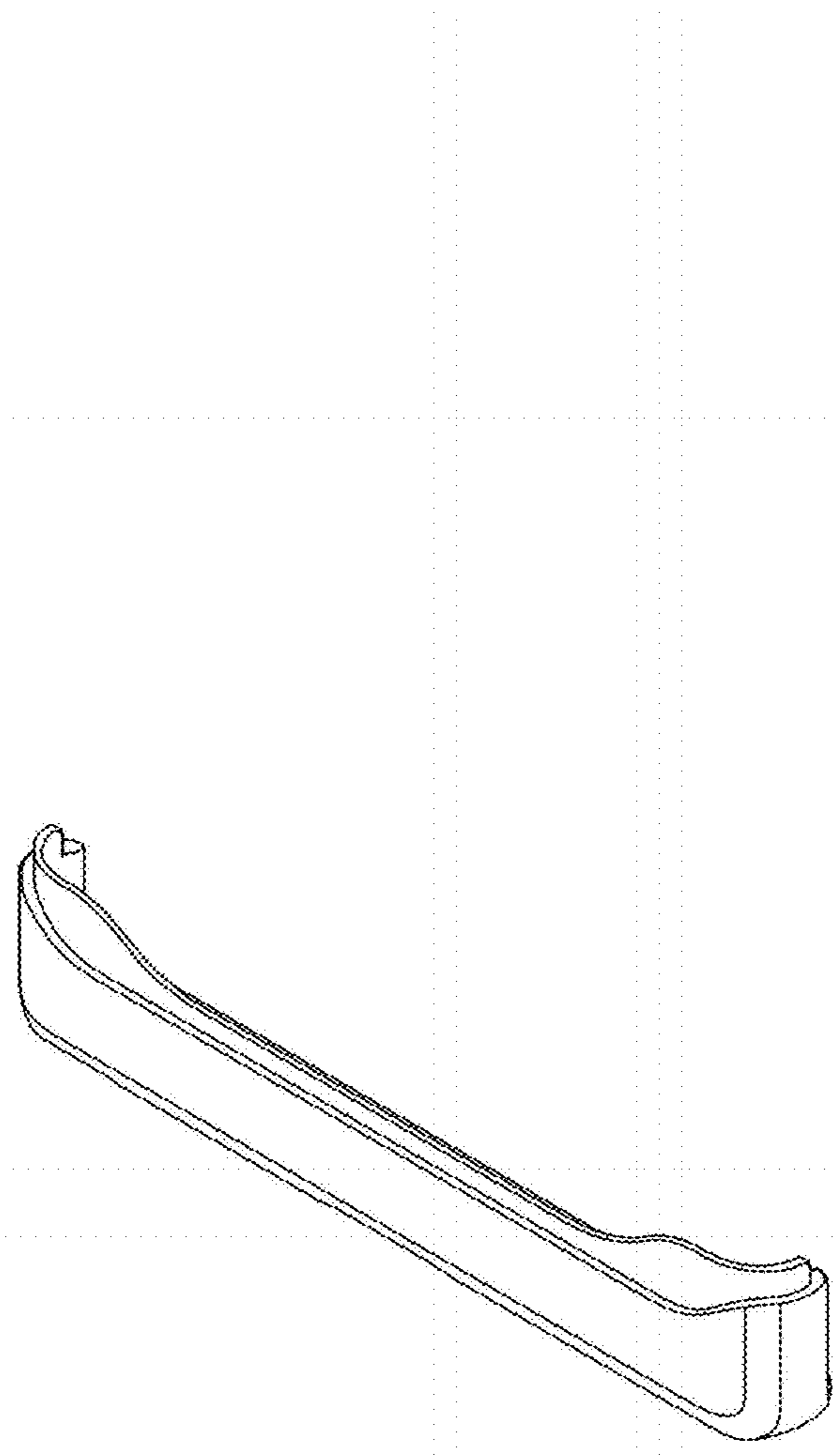




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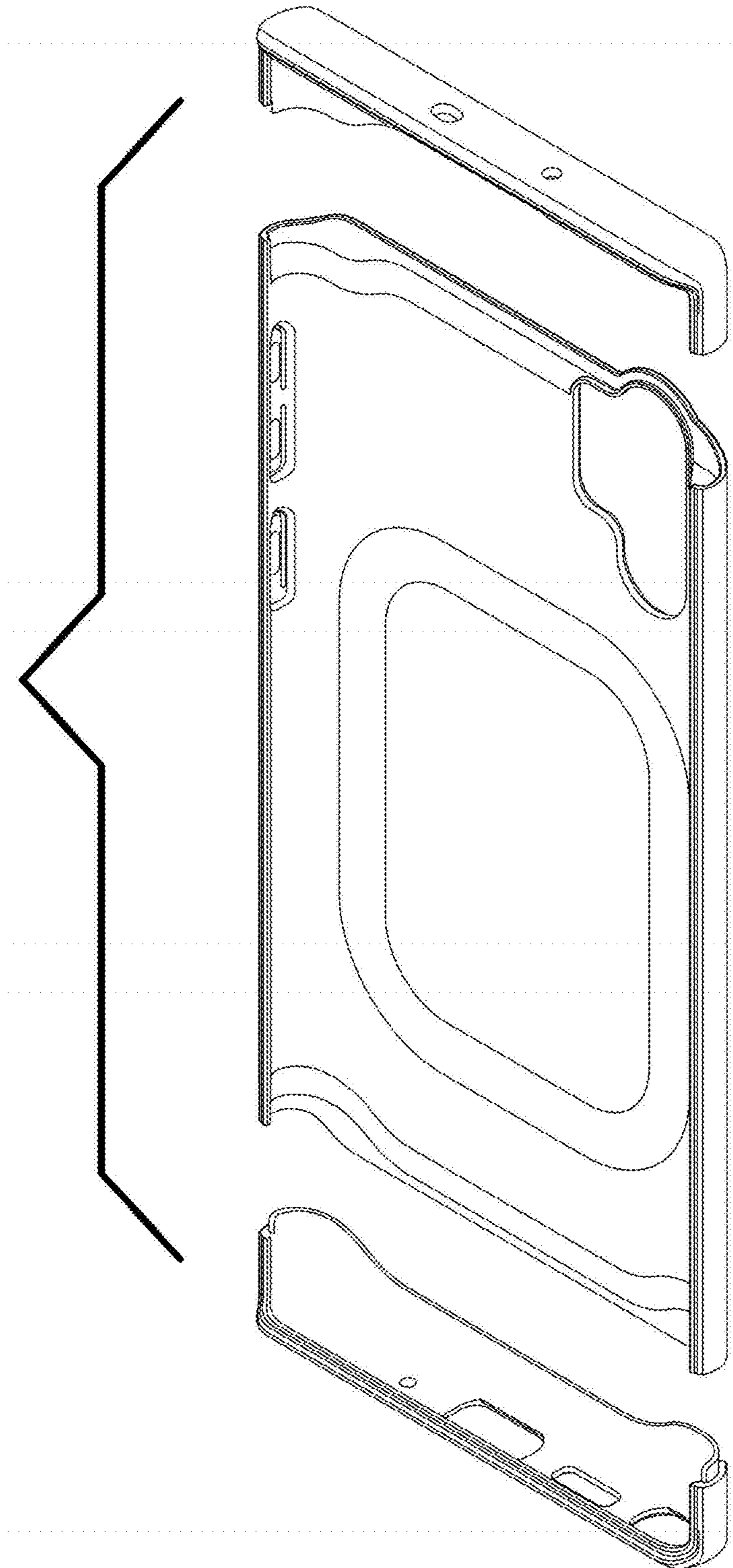


FIG. 16

