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(54) **CASE FOR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE OR THE LIKE**

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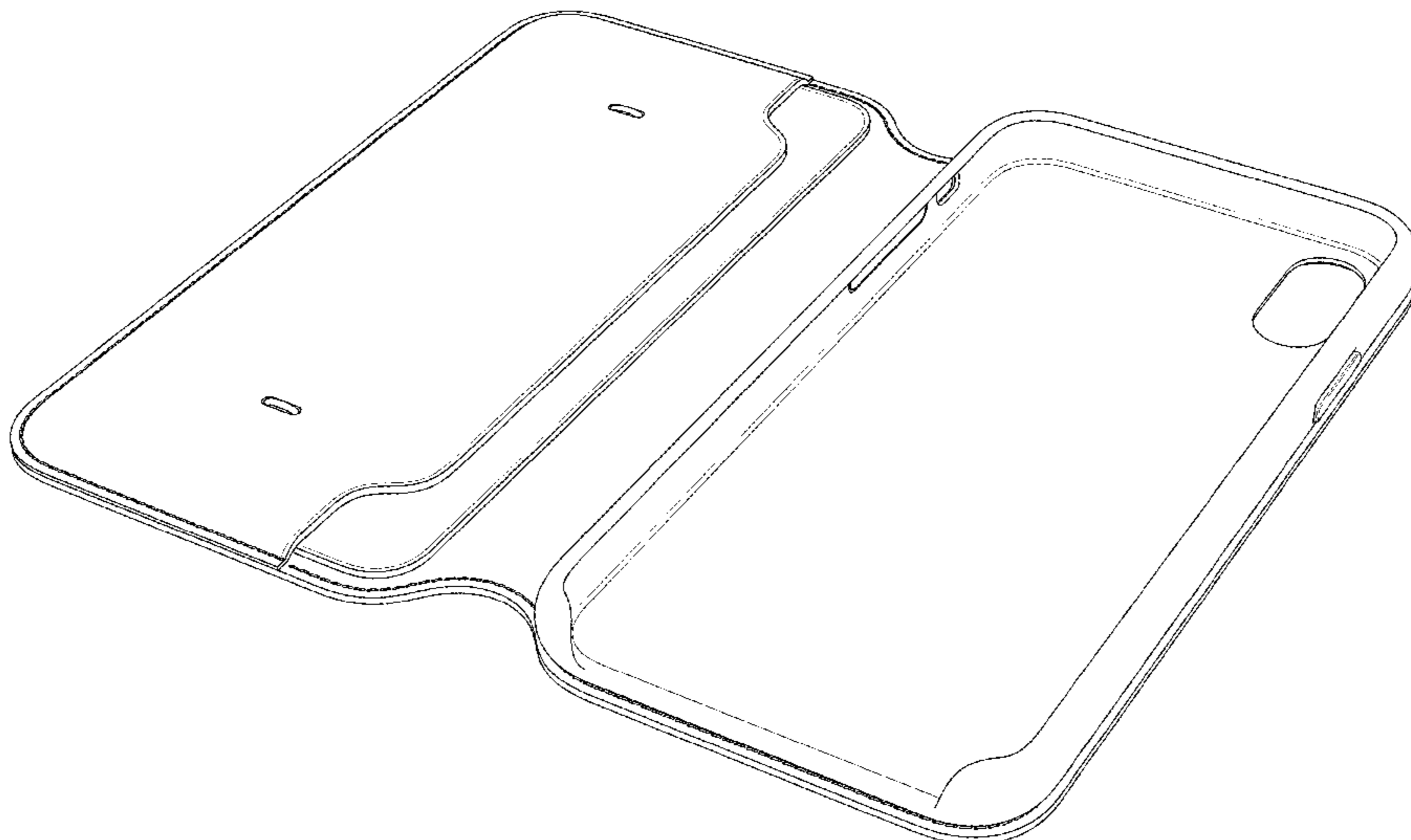
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a case for electronic communication device or the like, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a bottom, front, and right side perspective view of a case for electronic communications device or the like showing the claimed design;
FIG. 2 is a top, rear, and right side perspective view thereof;
FIG. 3 is a front view thereof;
FIG. 4 is a rear view thereof;
FIG. 5 is a left side view thereof;
FIG. 6 is a right side view thereof;
FIG. 7 is a top view thereof; and,
FIG. 8 is a bottom view thereof.

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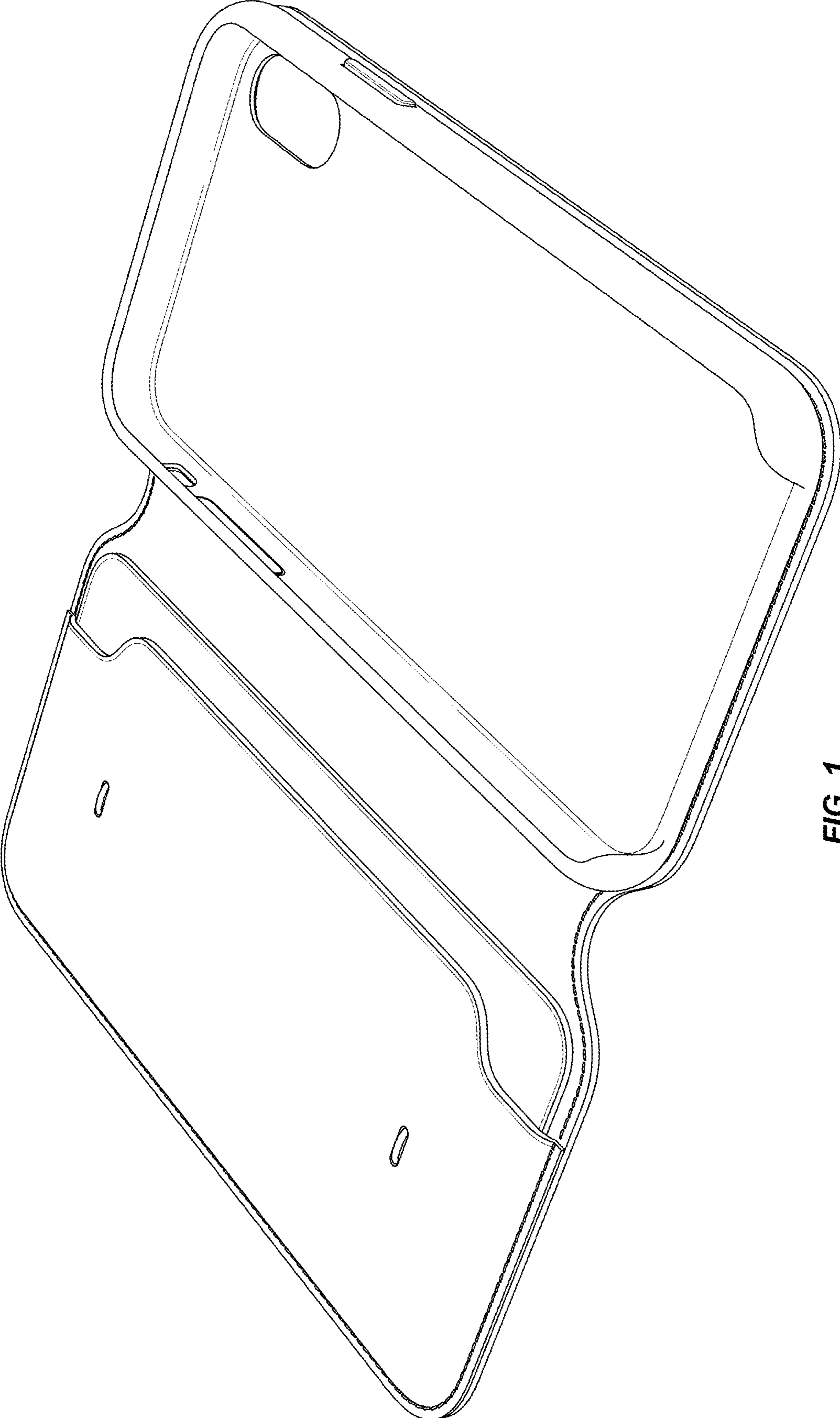


FIG. 1

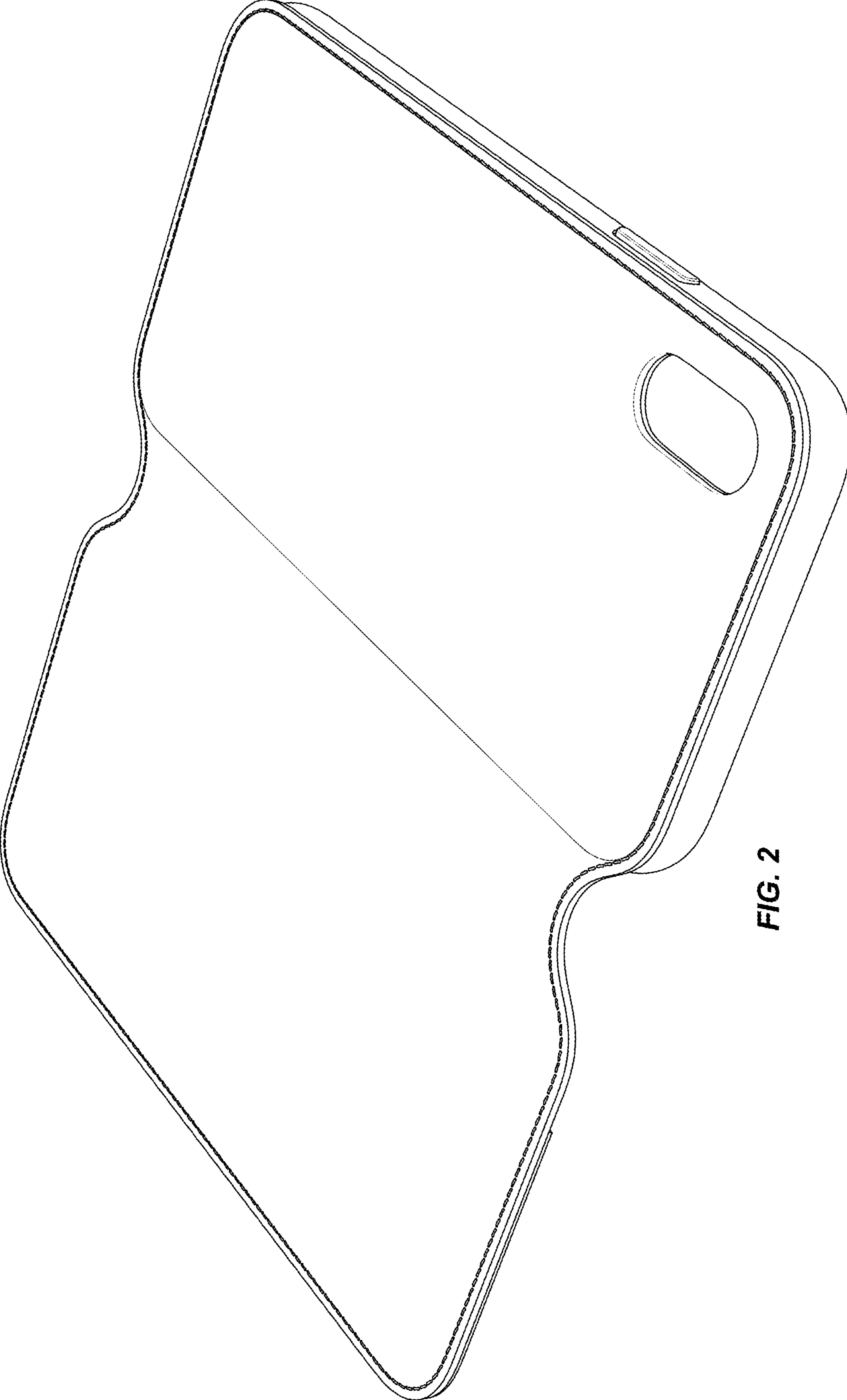


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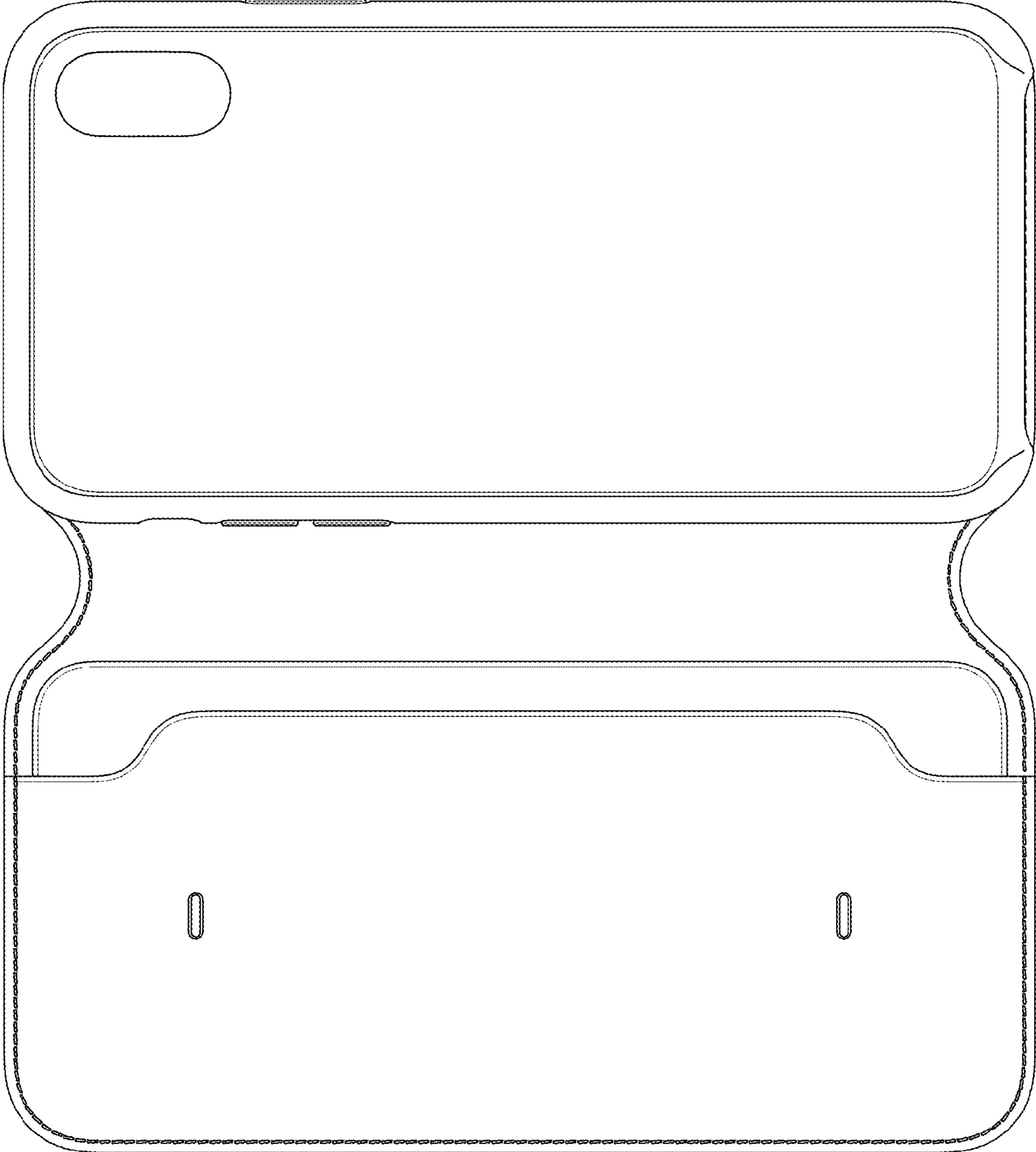


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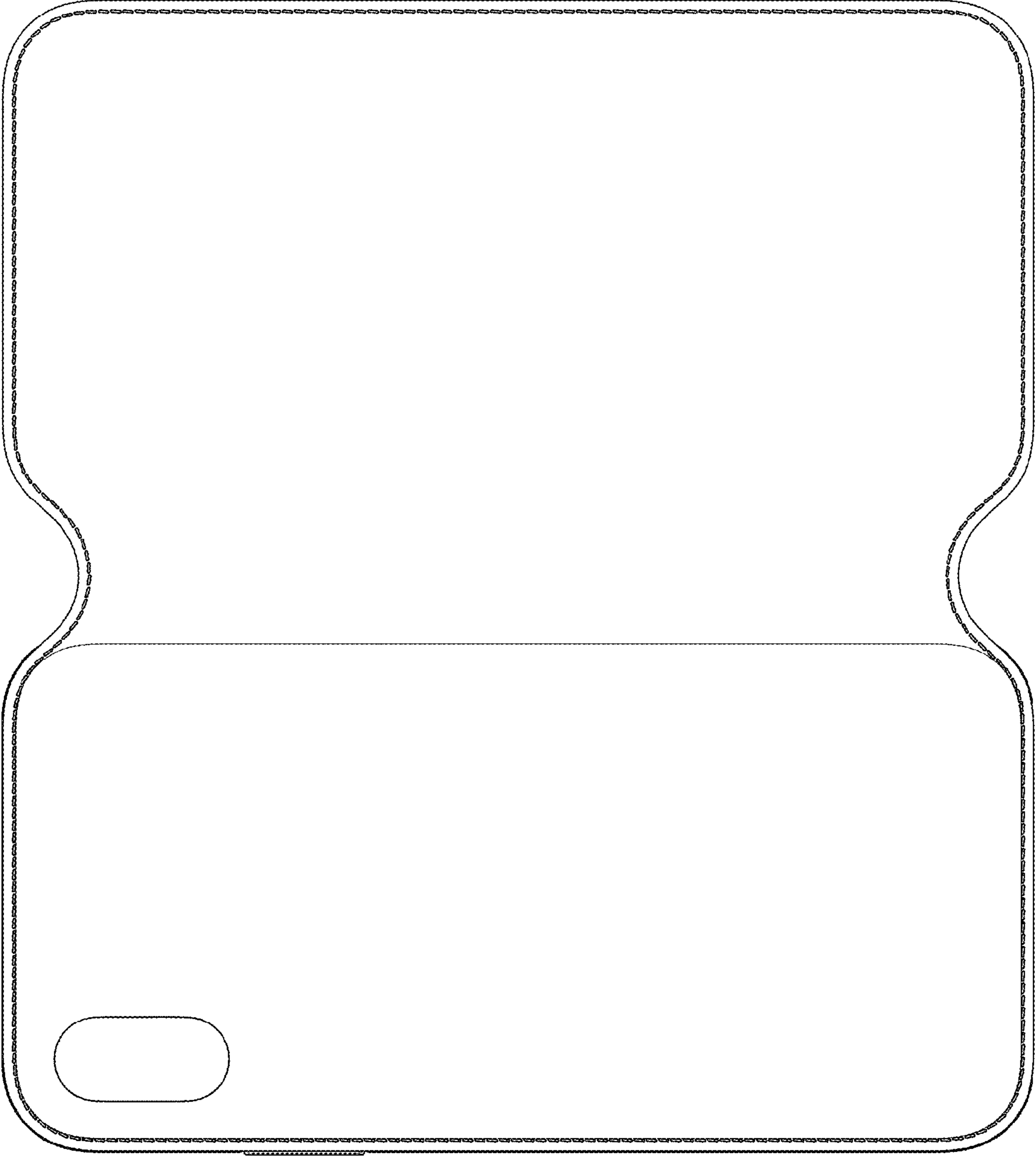


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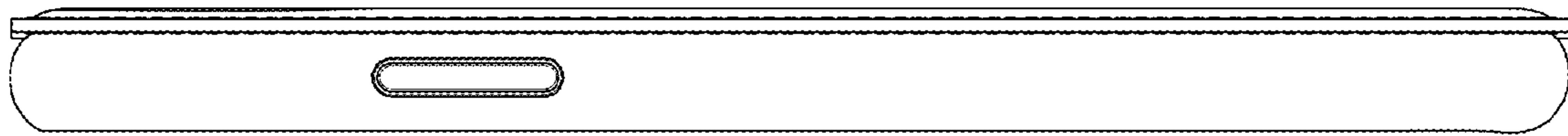


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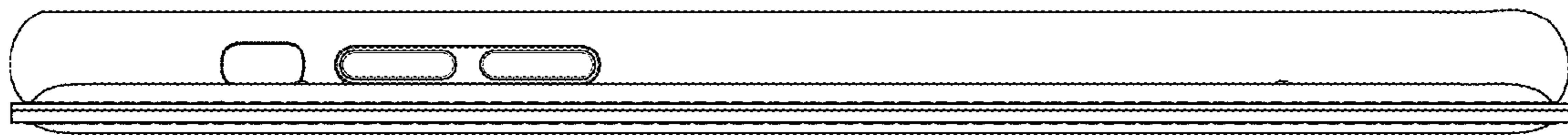


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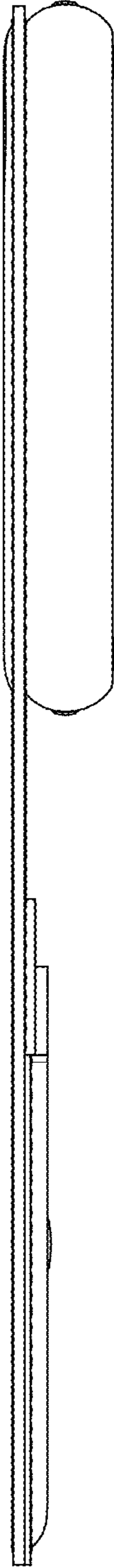


FIG. 7



FIG. 8