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(54) **DROP BAR FOR A TRAILER HITCH**
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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a drop bar for a trailer hitch, as shown and described.

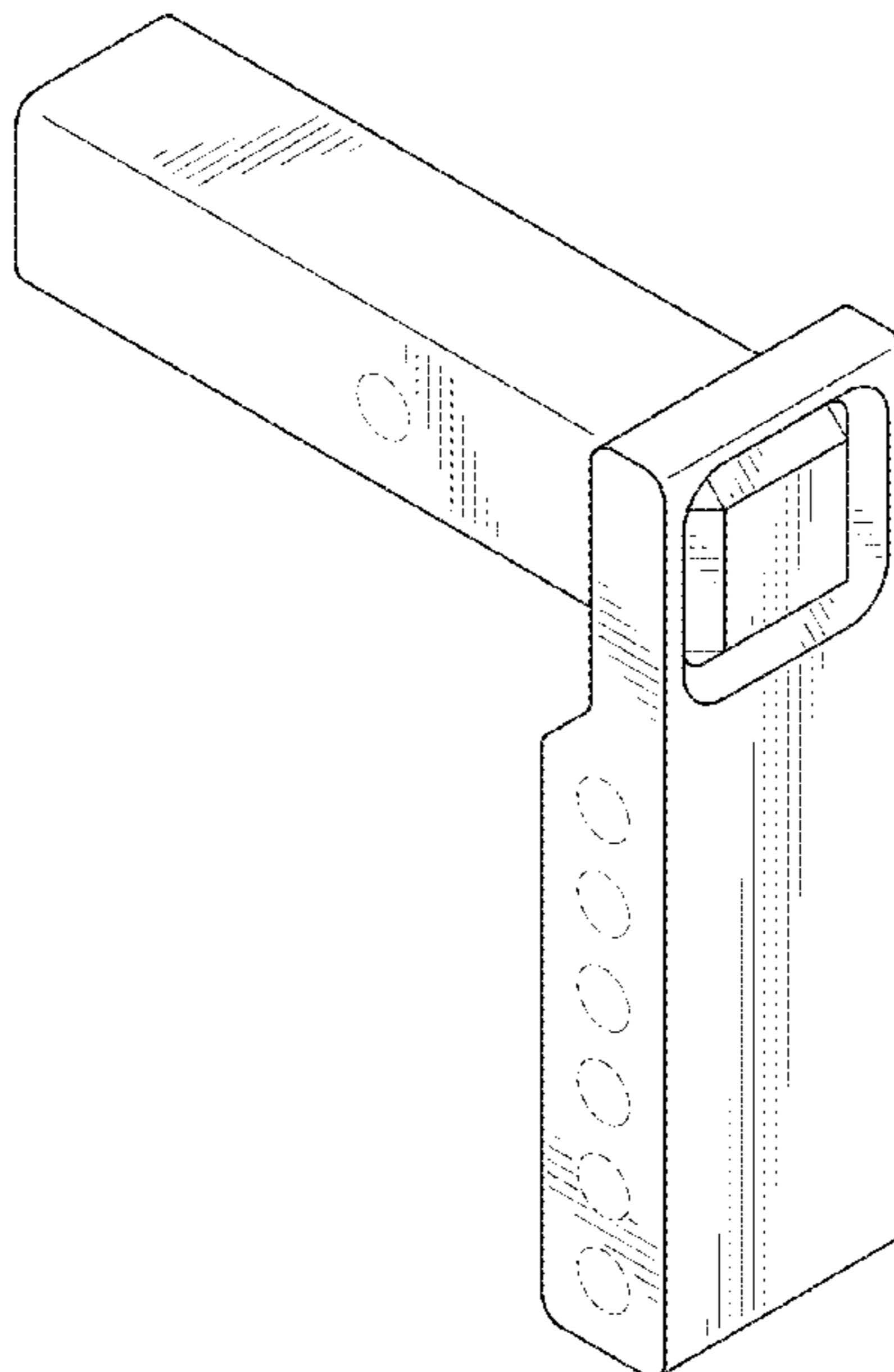
DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a drop bar for a trailer hitch showing our new design in solid lines and showing in phantom lines an example of a hitch ball assembly securable to the drop bar to show the environment in which the design is associated;

FIG. 2 is a perspective view thereof, similar to FIG. 1;
FIG. 3 is a rear perspective view thereof;
FIG. 4 is a left side, elevational view thereof, the right side being a mirror image thereof;
FIG. 5 is a rear, elevational view thereof;
FIG. 6 is a front, elevational view thereof;
FIG. 7 is a top, plan view thereof; and,
FIG. 8 is a bottom, plan view thereof.
The broken lines shown in the drawings illustrate portions of the drop bar that form no part of the claim.

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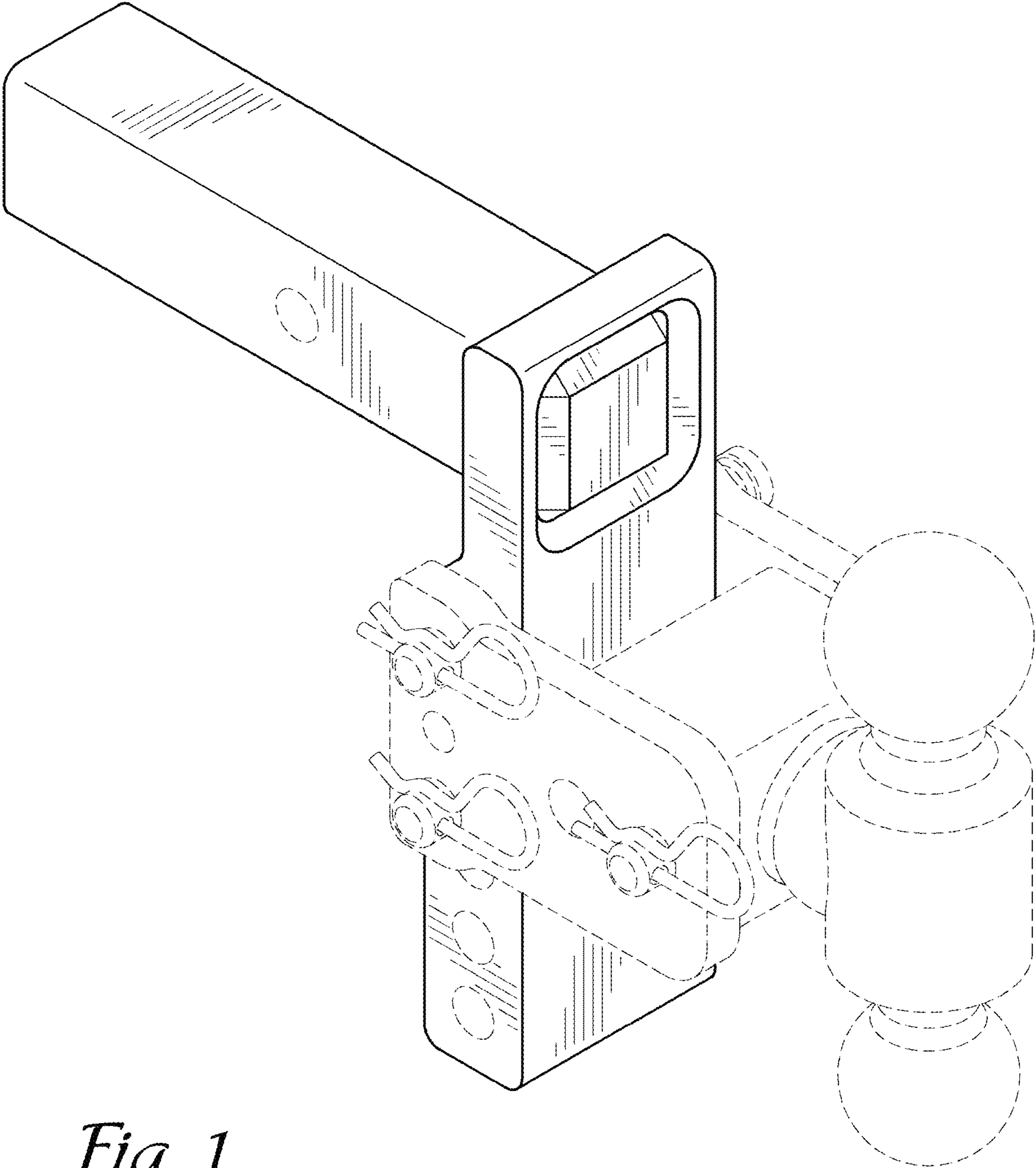


Fig. 1

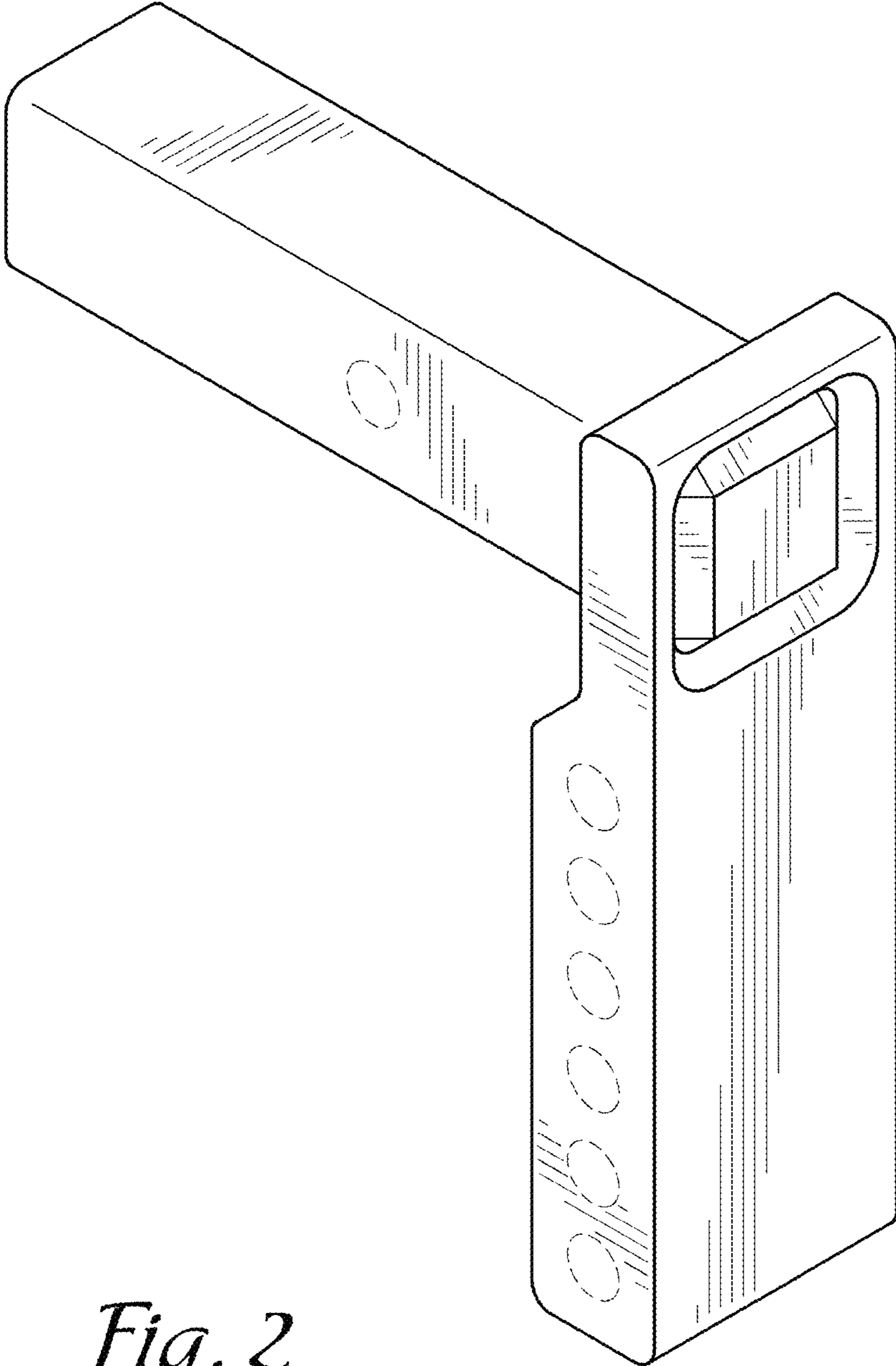


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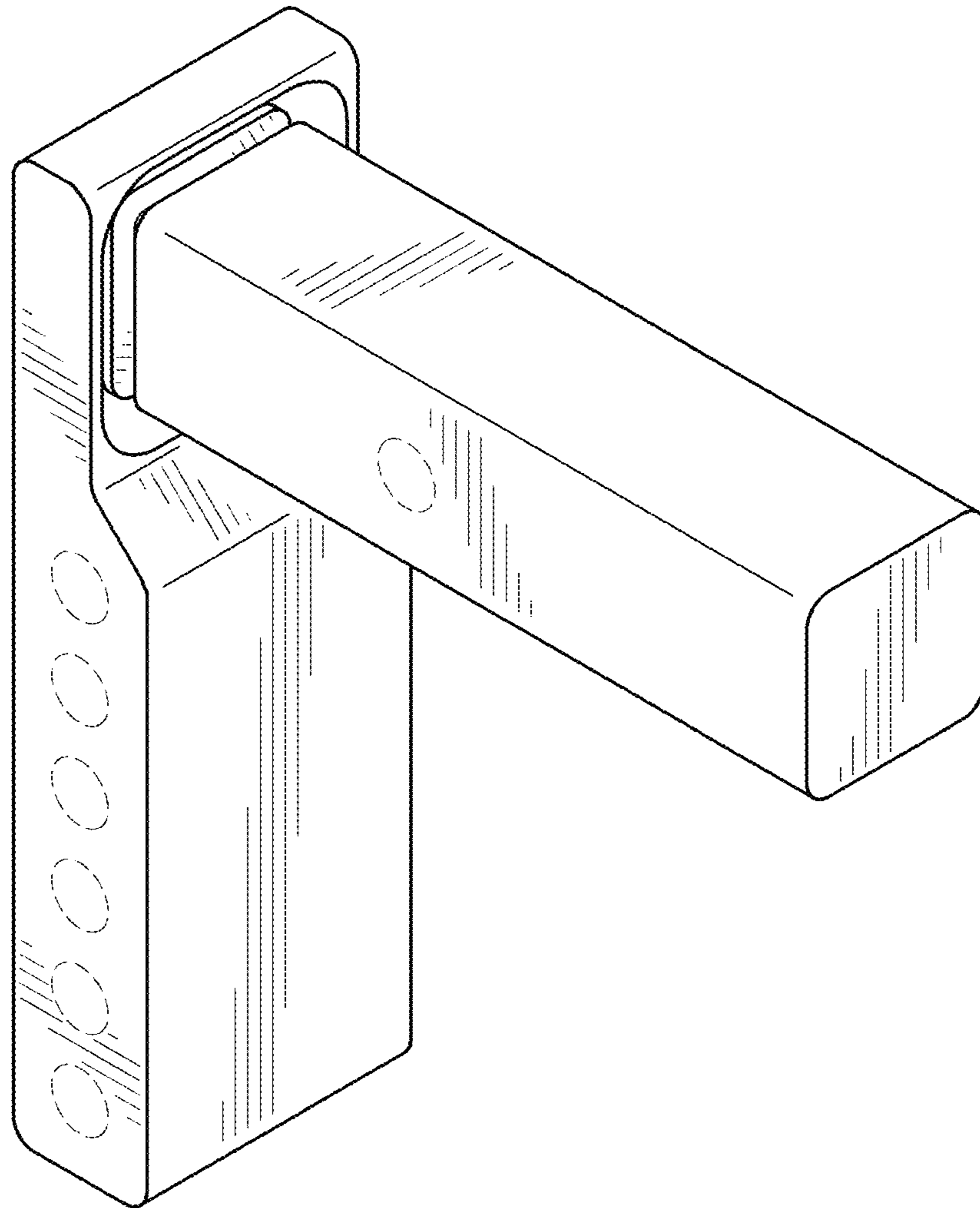


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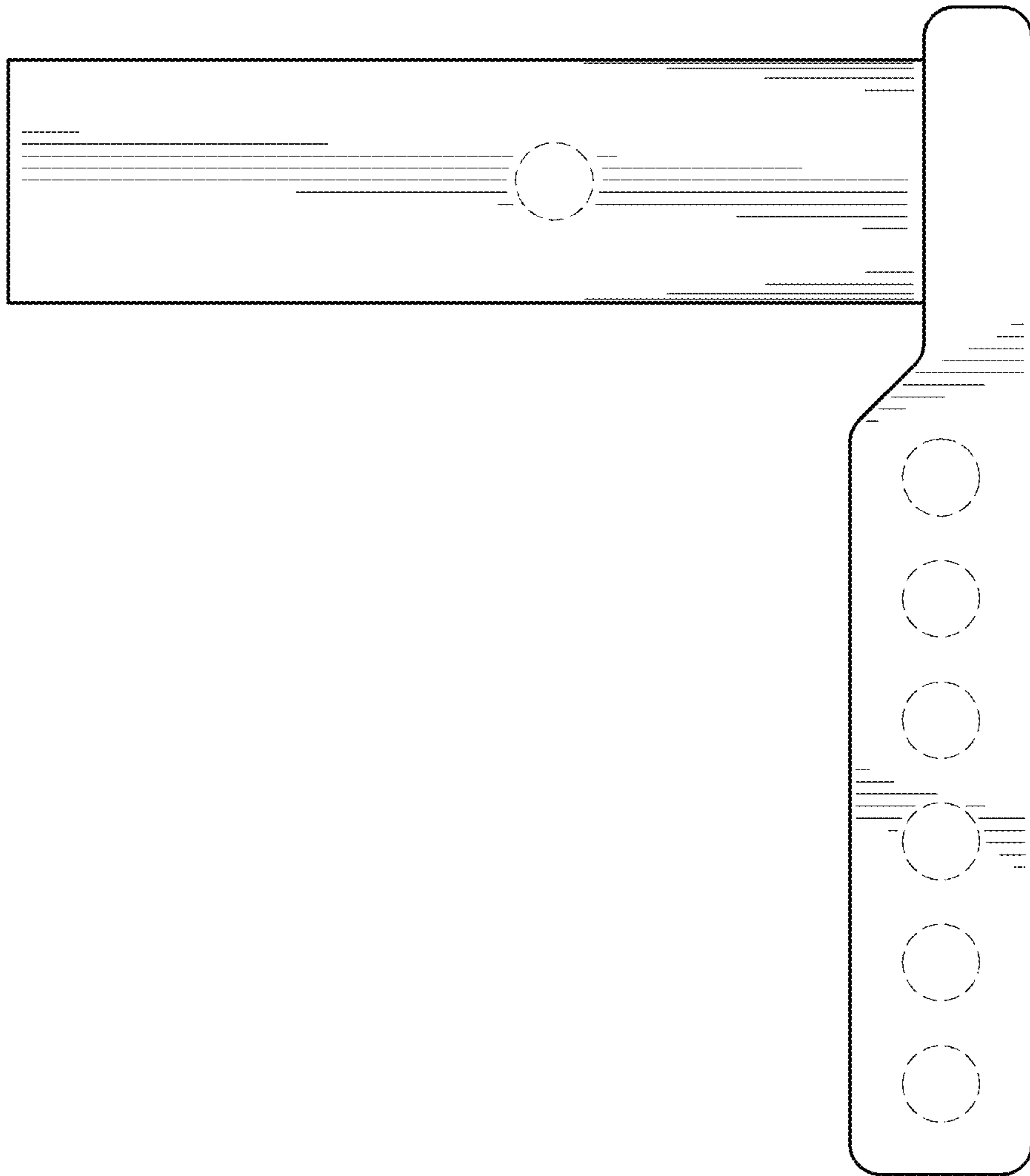


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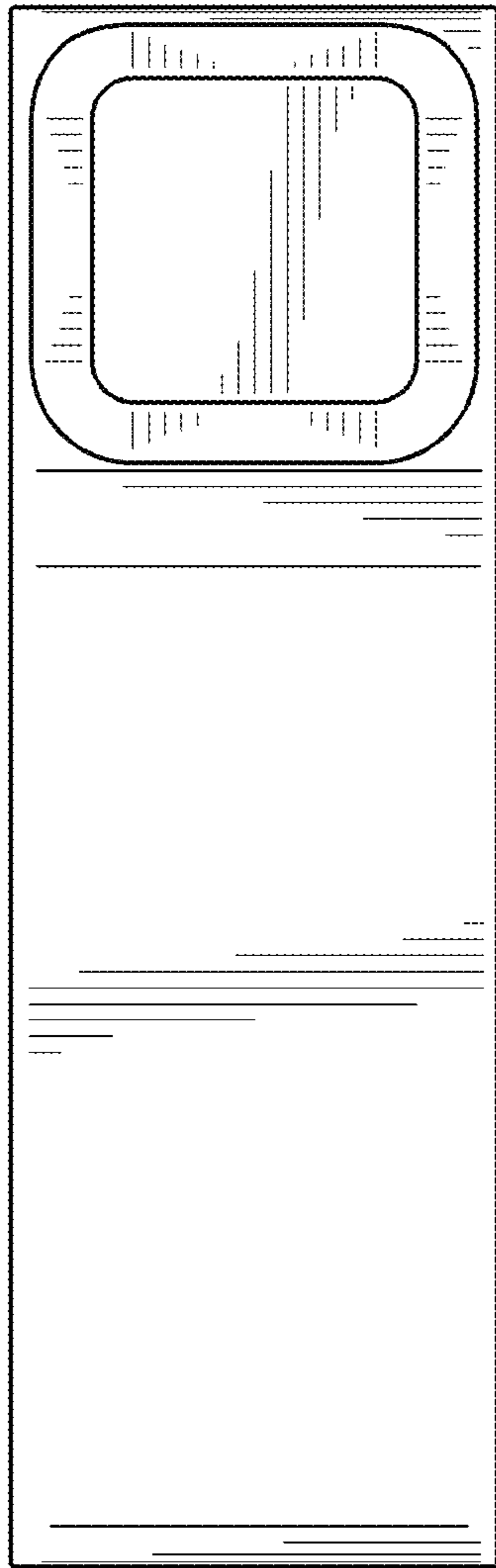


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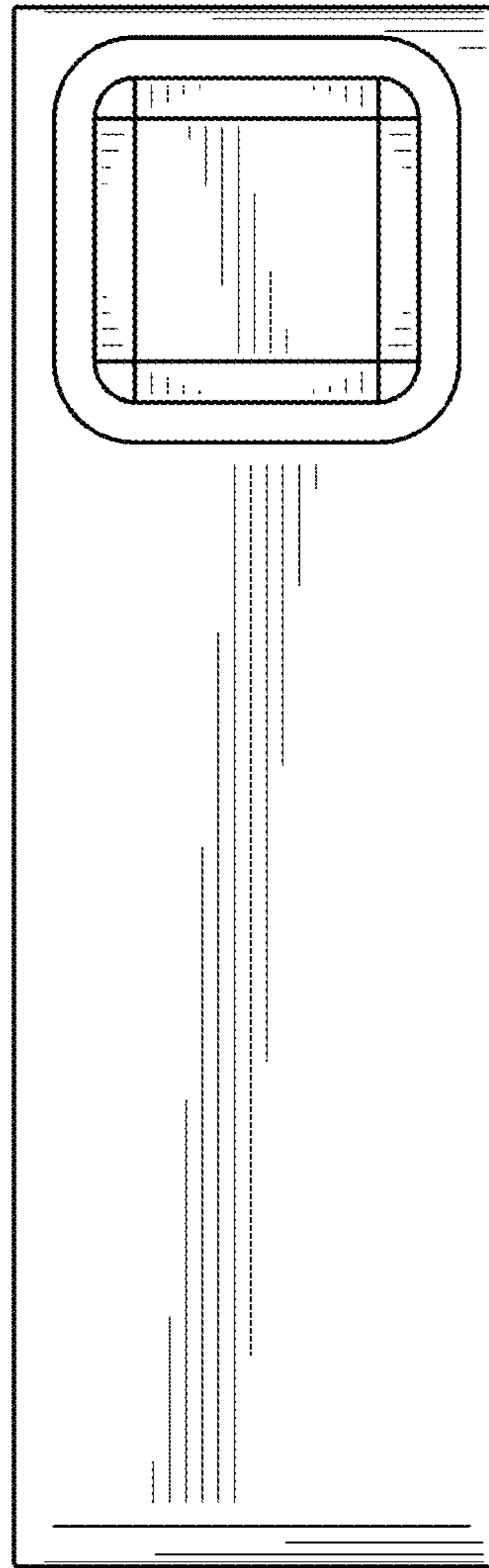


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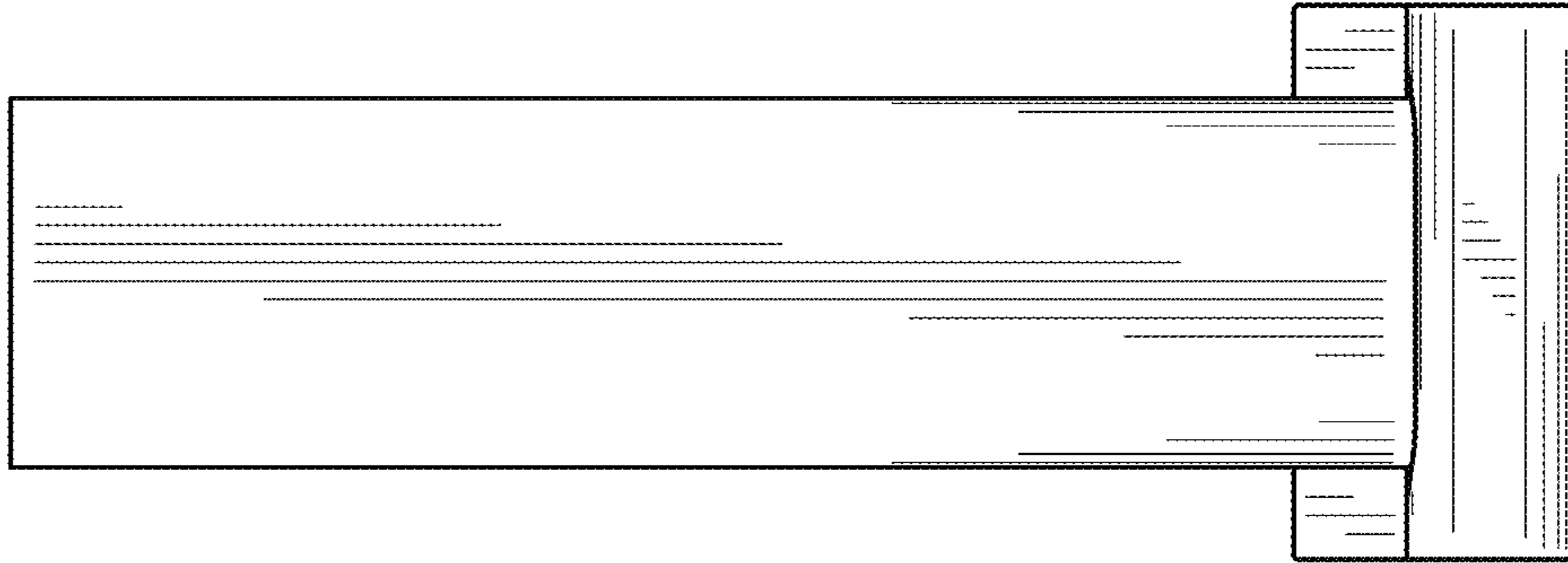


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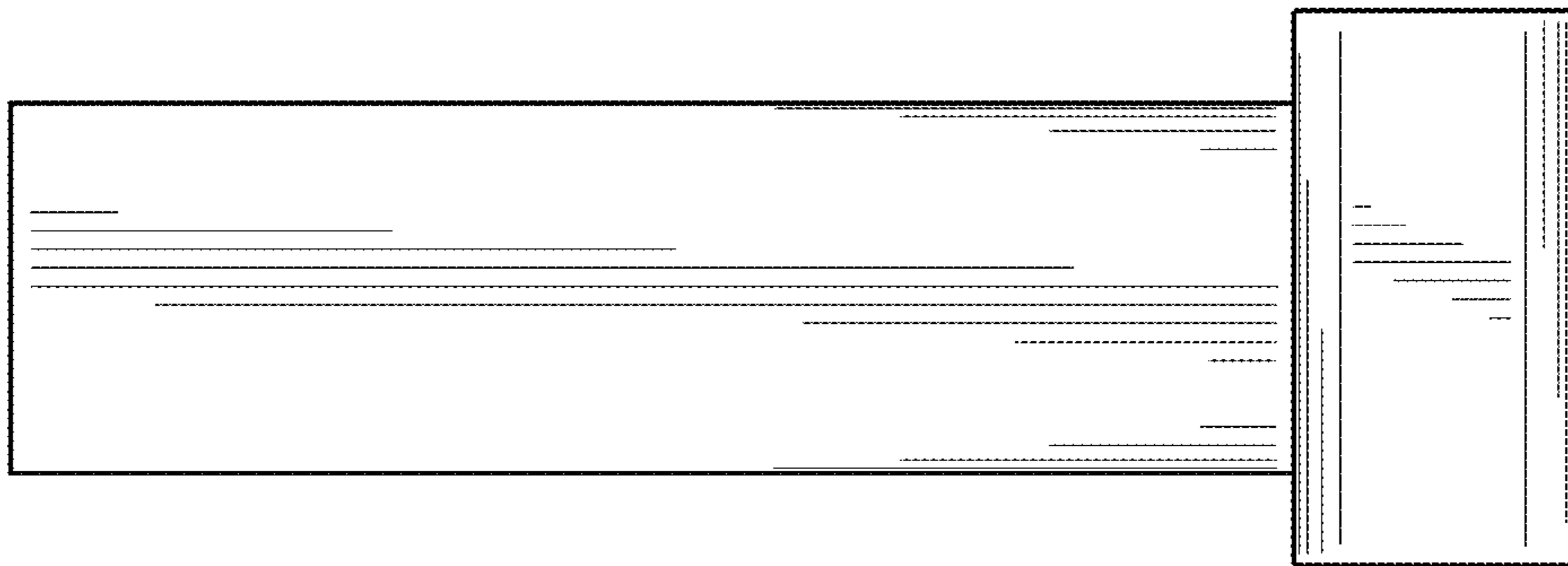


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