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BUCKLE

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CLAIM

The ornamental design for a buckle, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of the buckle;

FIG. 2 is a front view of the buckle;

FIG. 3 is a rear view of the buckle;

FIG. 4 is a right side view of the buckle;

FIG. 5 is a left side view of the buckle;

FIG. 6 is a top view of the buckle; and,

FIG. 7 is a bottom view of the buckle.

The broken lines in the drawings represent portions of the buckle that form no part of the claimed design.

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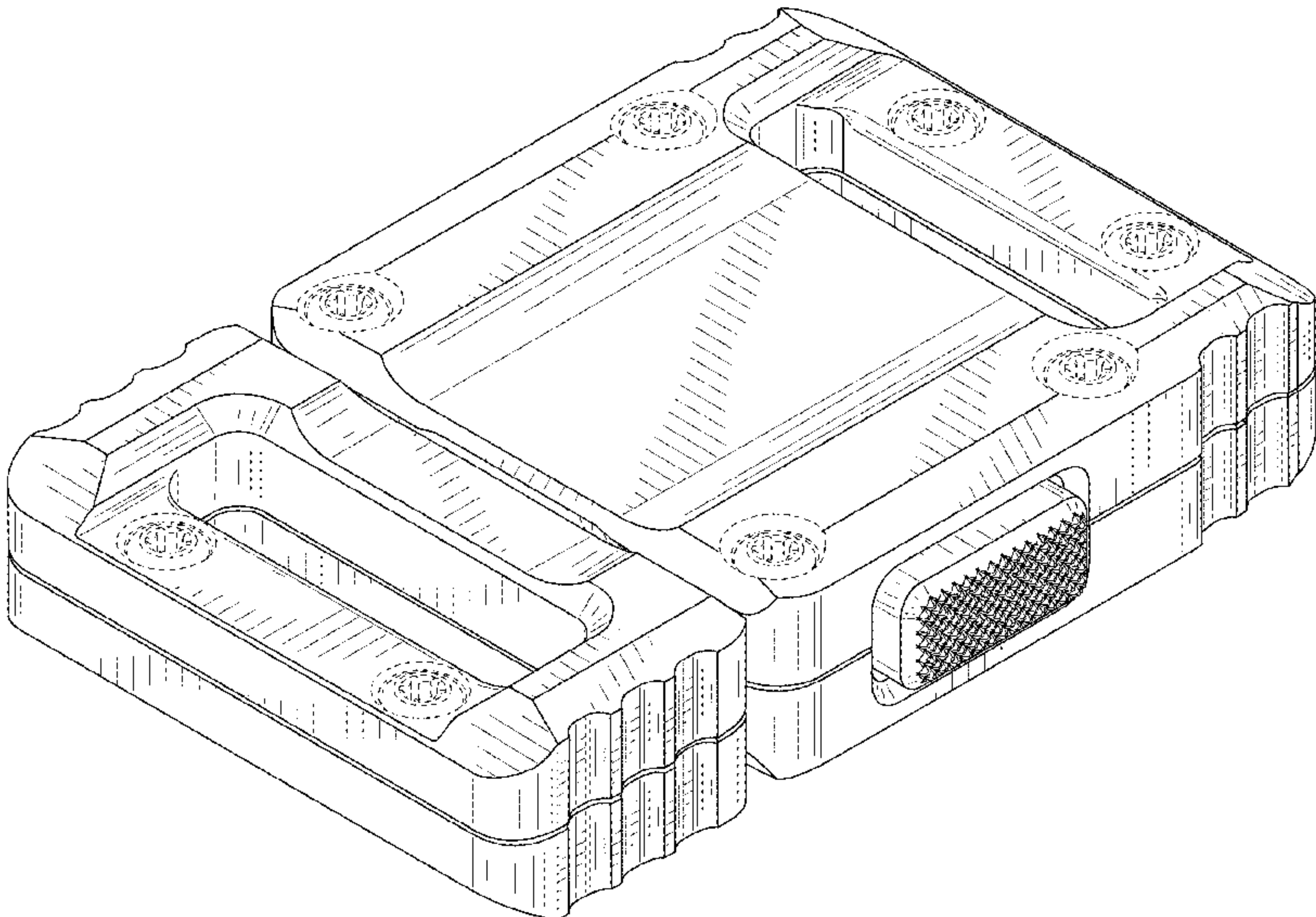
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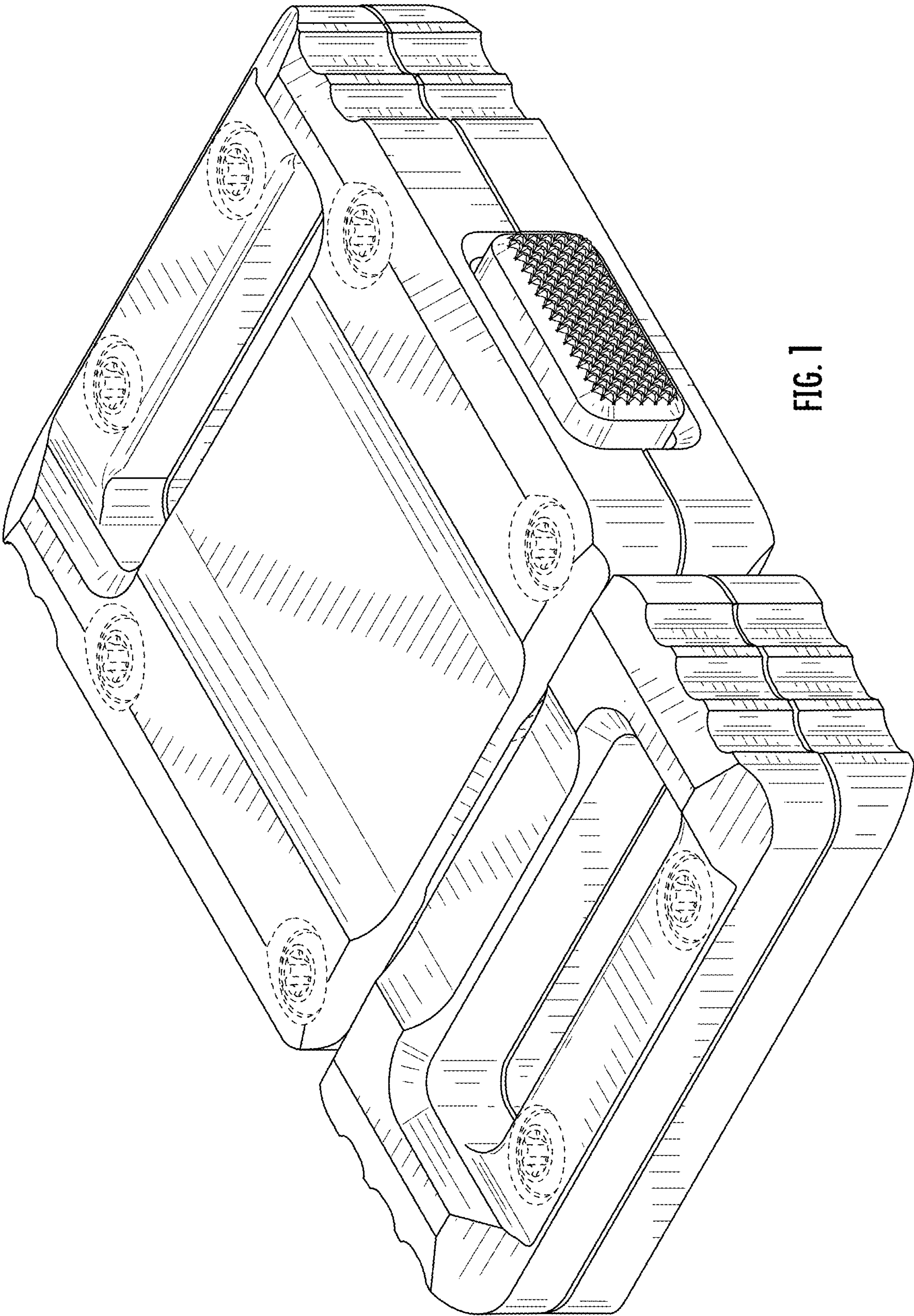


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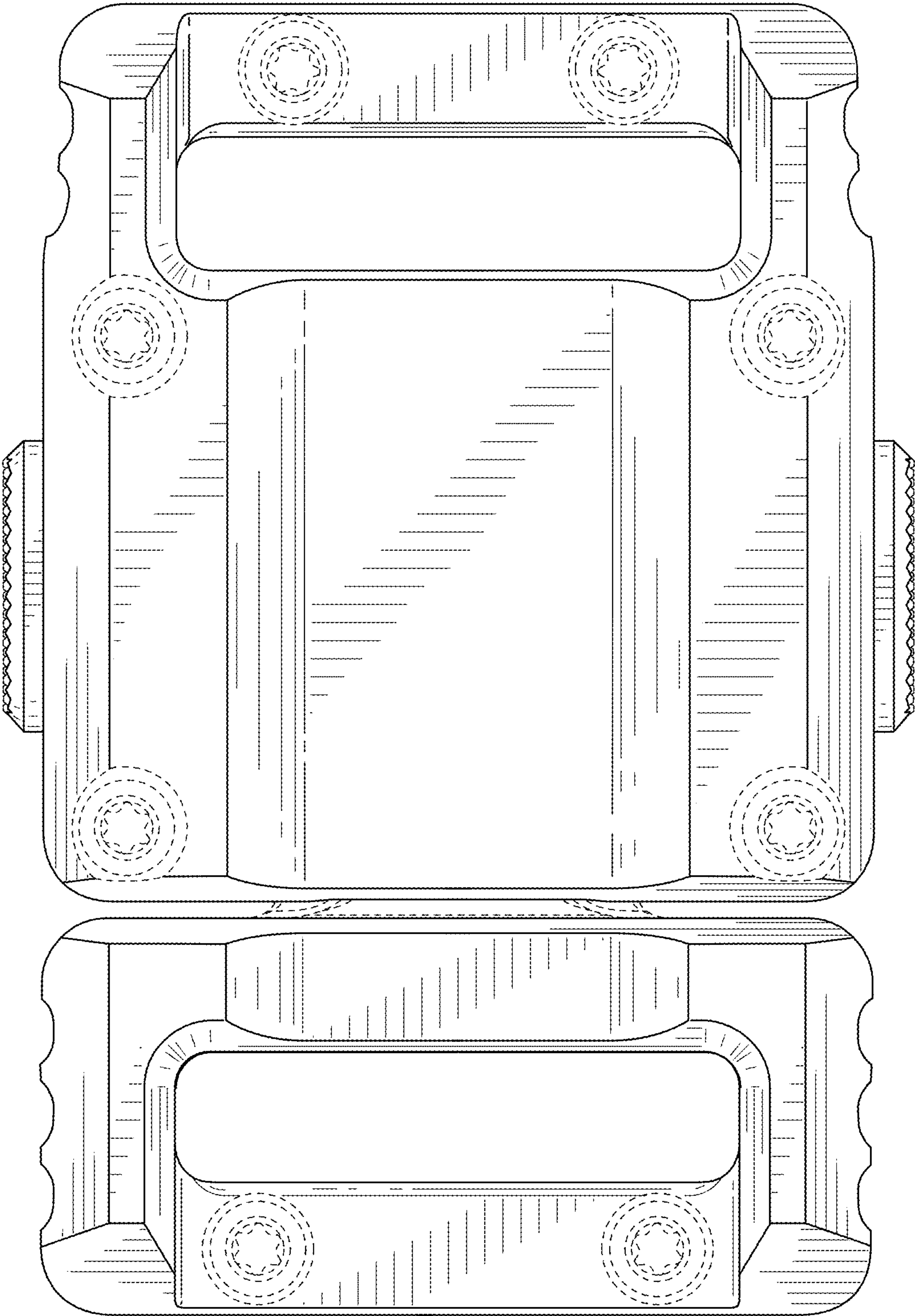


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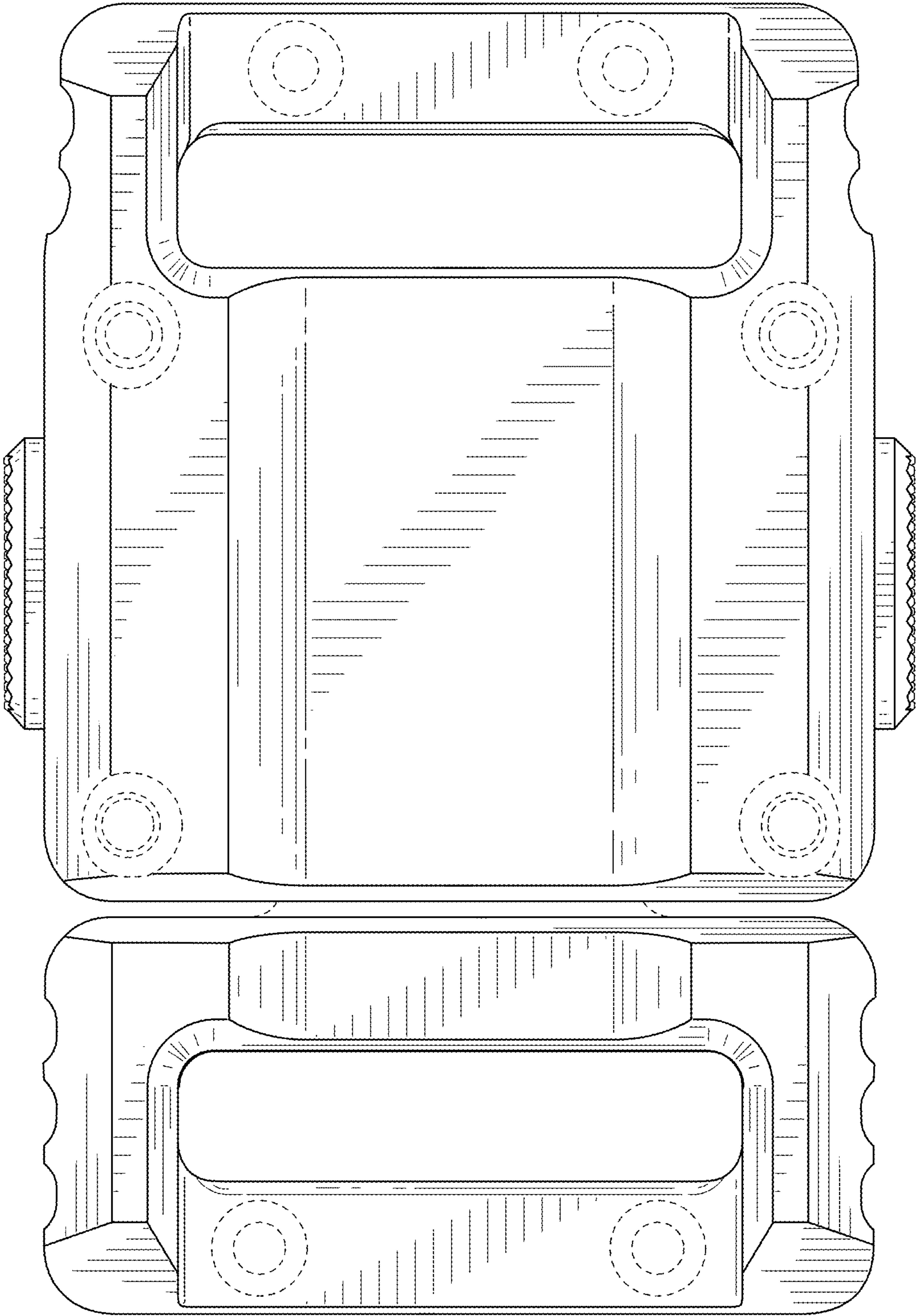


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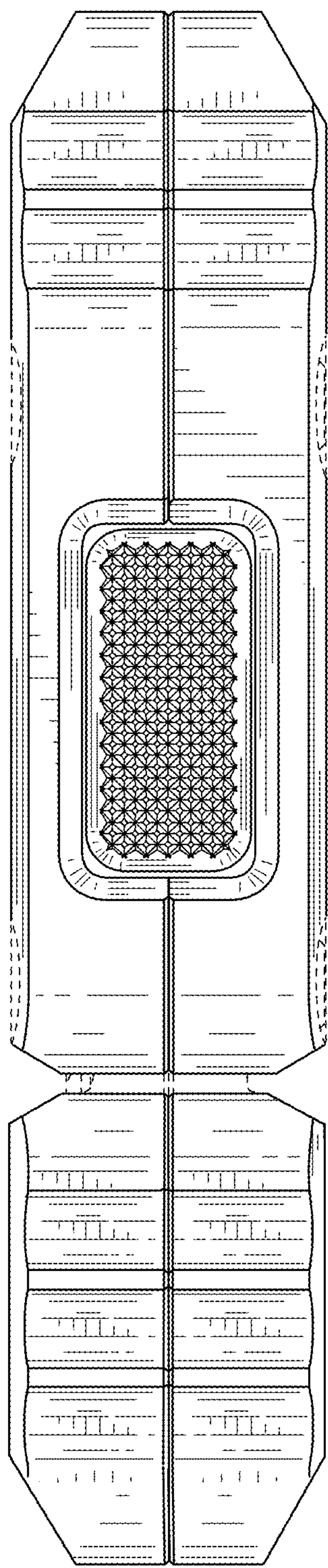


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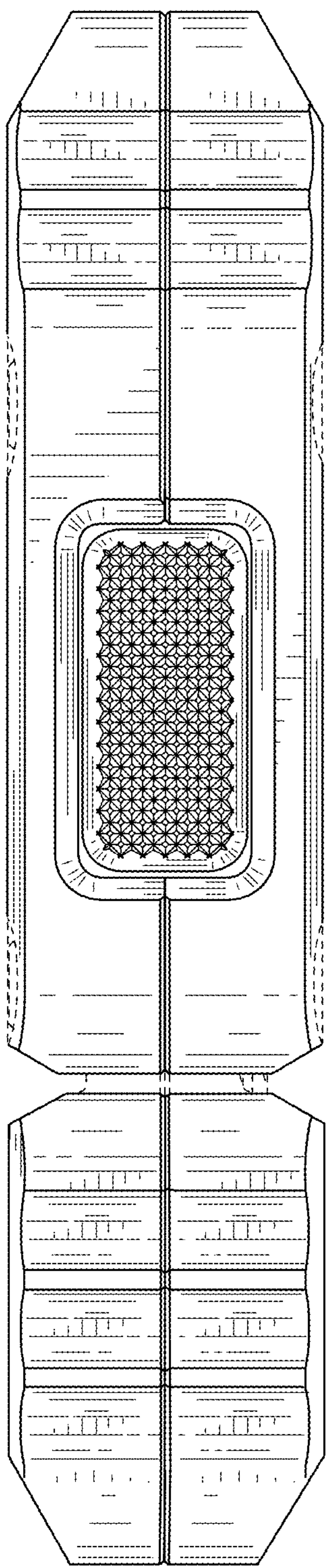


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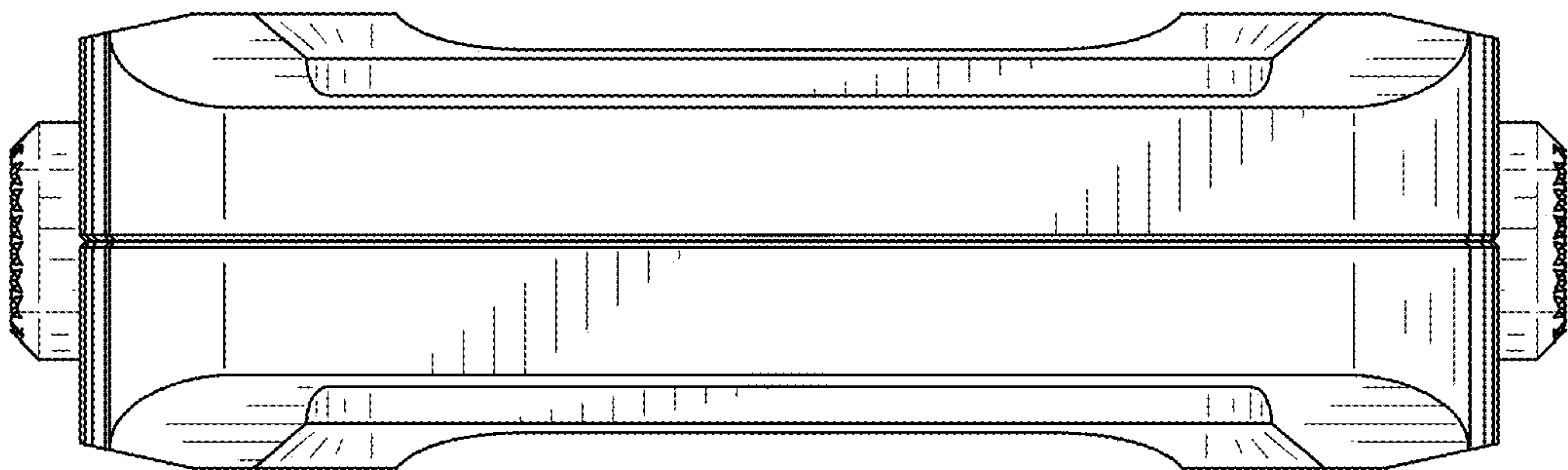


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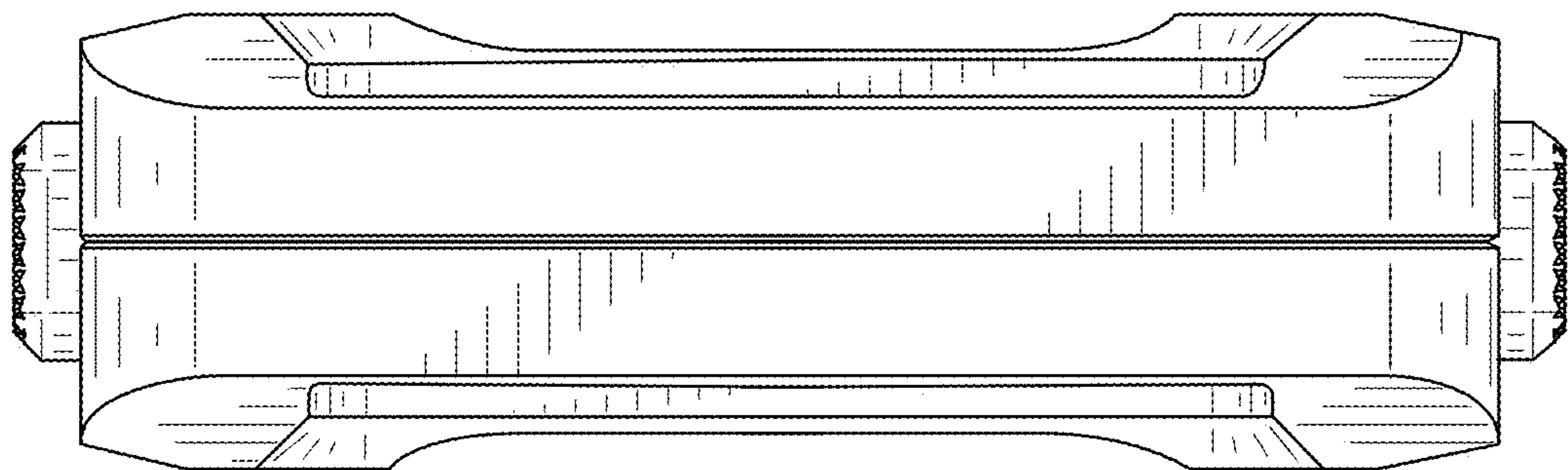


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