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(54) **BATHTUB STEP STOOL**

(57) **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for a bathtub step stool, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

(**) Term: **14 Years**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a bathtub step stool embodying the new design in a bathtub configuration.

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FIG. 2 is a perspective view of the bathtub step stool shown in FIG. 1 in a step stool configuration.

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FIG. 3 is a front view of the bathtub step stool in the bathtub configuration shown in FIG. 1.

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FIG. 4 is a back view of the bathtub step stool in the bathtub configuration shown in FIG. 1.

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FIG. 5 is a left side view of the bathtub step stool in the bathtub configuration shown in FIG. 1.

(58) **Field of Search** D23/278, 277, D23/280.4, 296; 4/572.1, 585, 586

FIG. 6 is a right side view of the bathtub step stool in the bathtub configuration shown in FIG. 1.

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FIG. 7 is a bottom view of the bathtub step stool in the bathtub configuration shown in FIG. 1; and,

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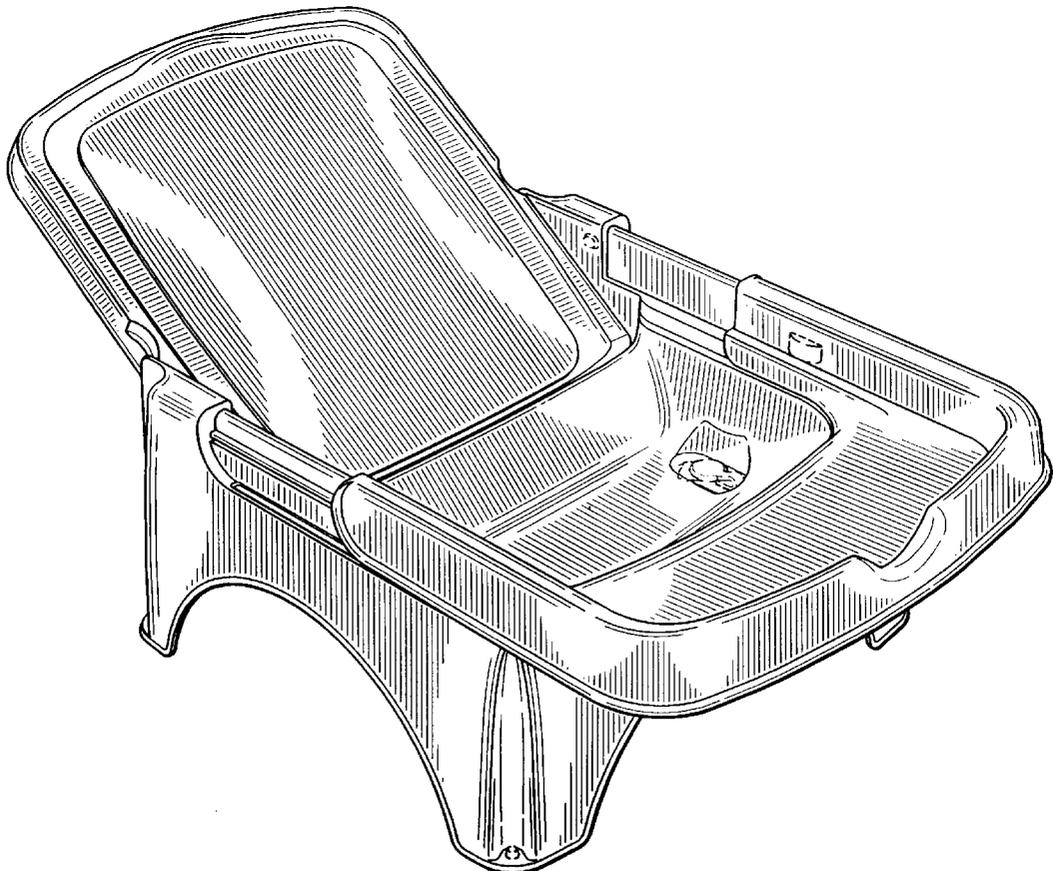
FIG. 8 is a top view of the bathtub step stool in the bathtub configuration shown in FIG. 1.

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Dashed lines in the drawings indicate environmental information that forms no part of the ornamental design of the bathtub step stool.

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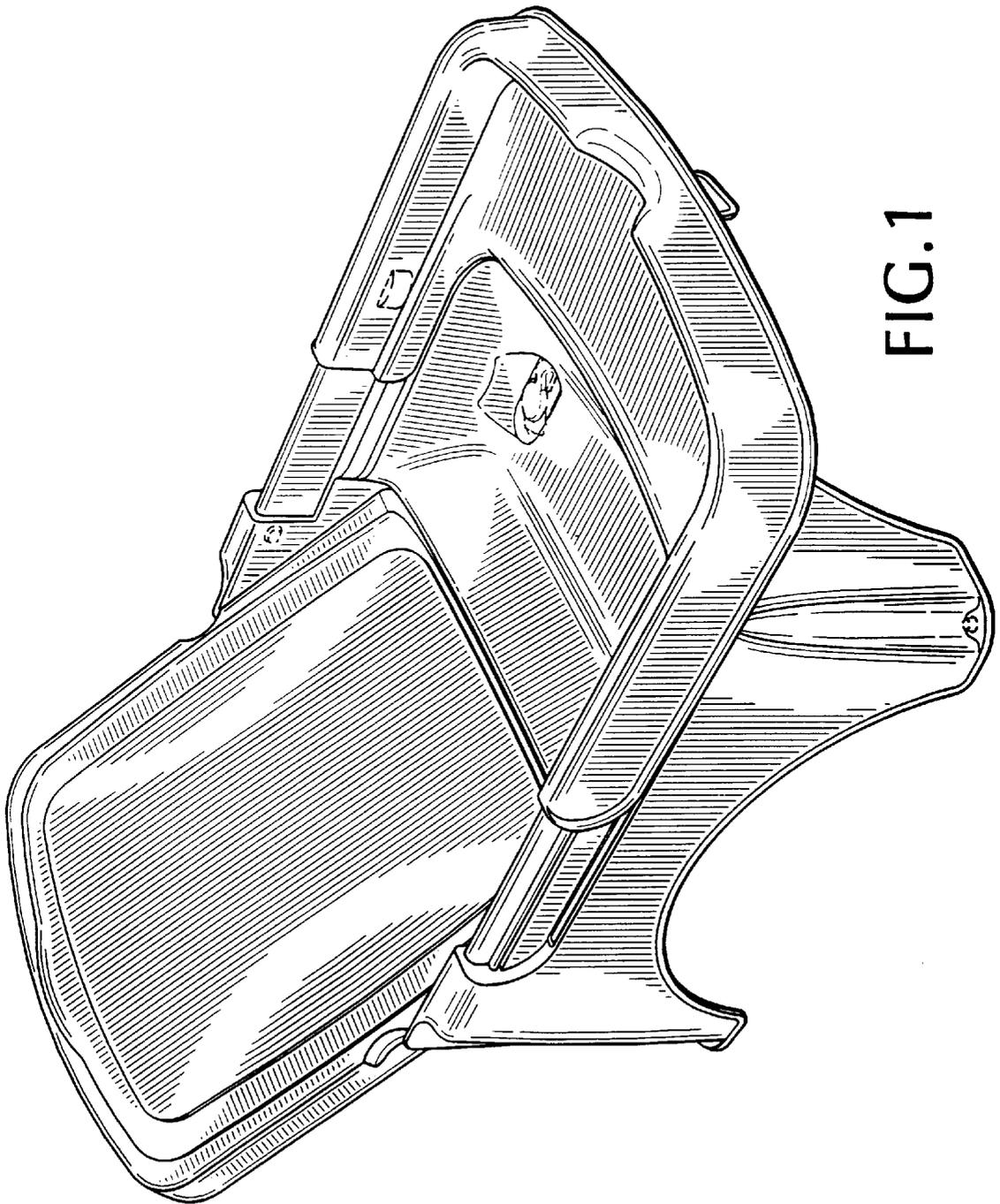


FIG. 1

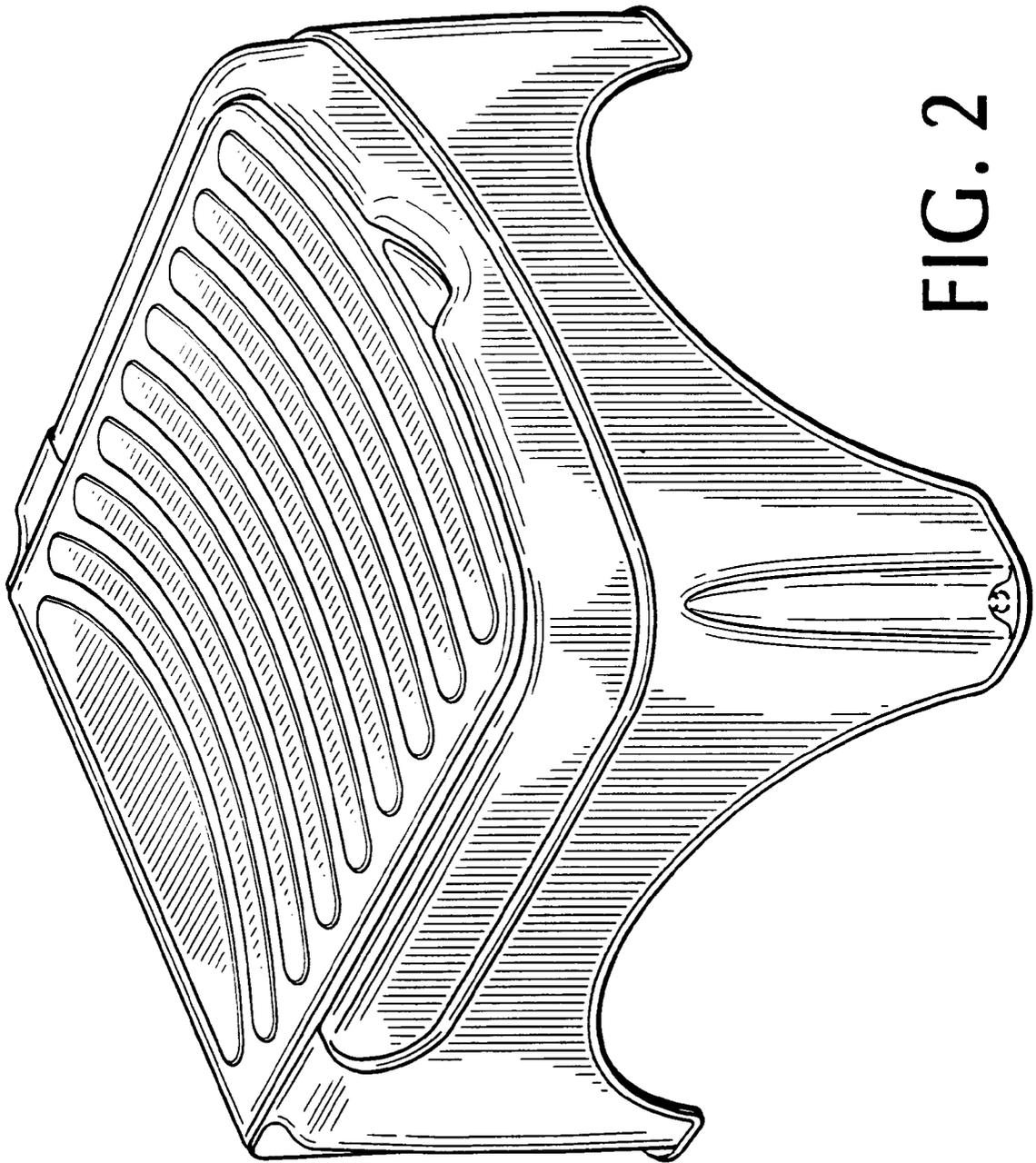


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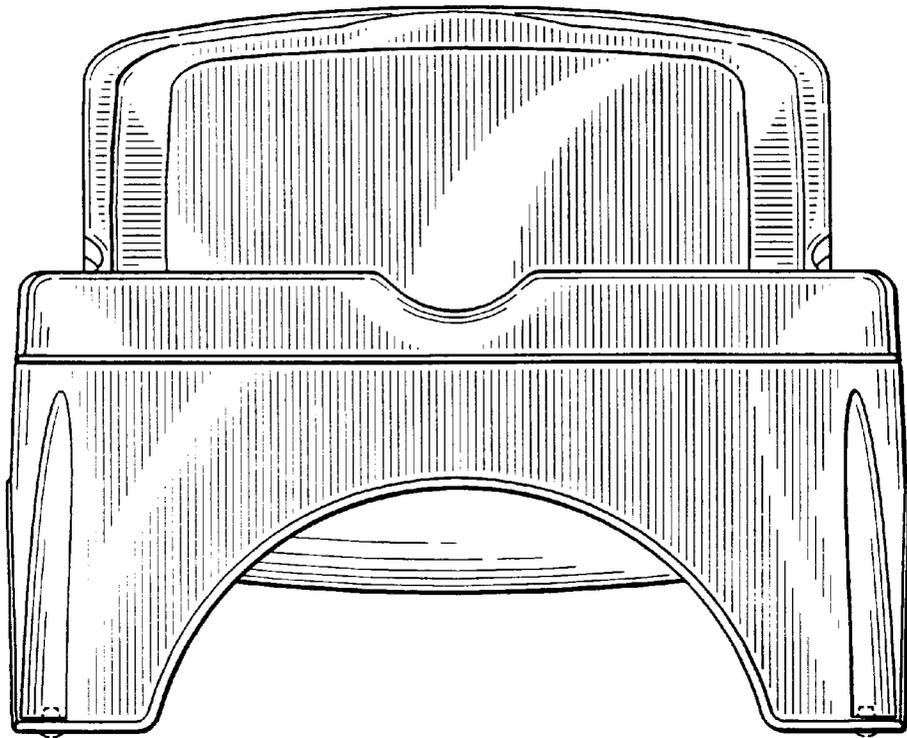


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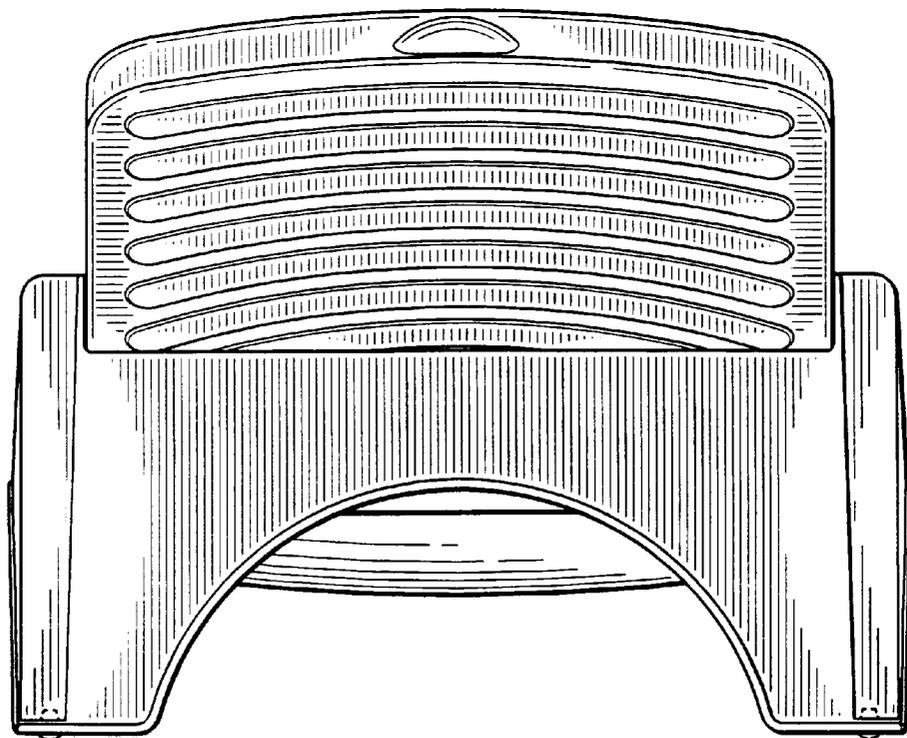


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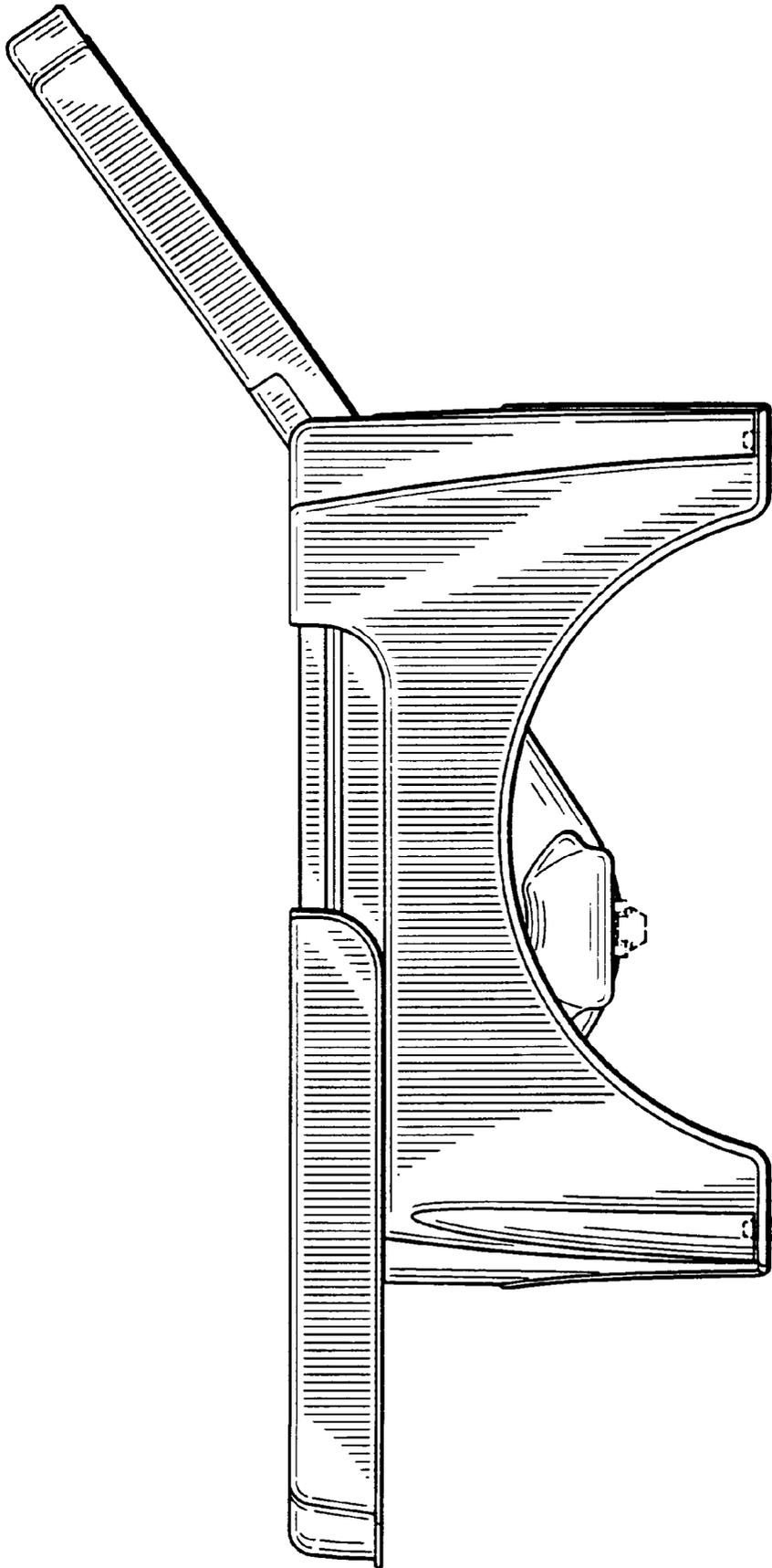


FIG. 5

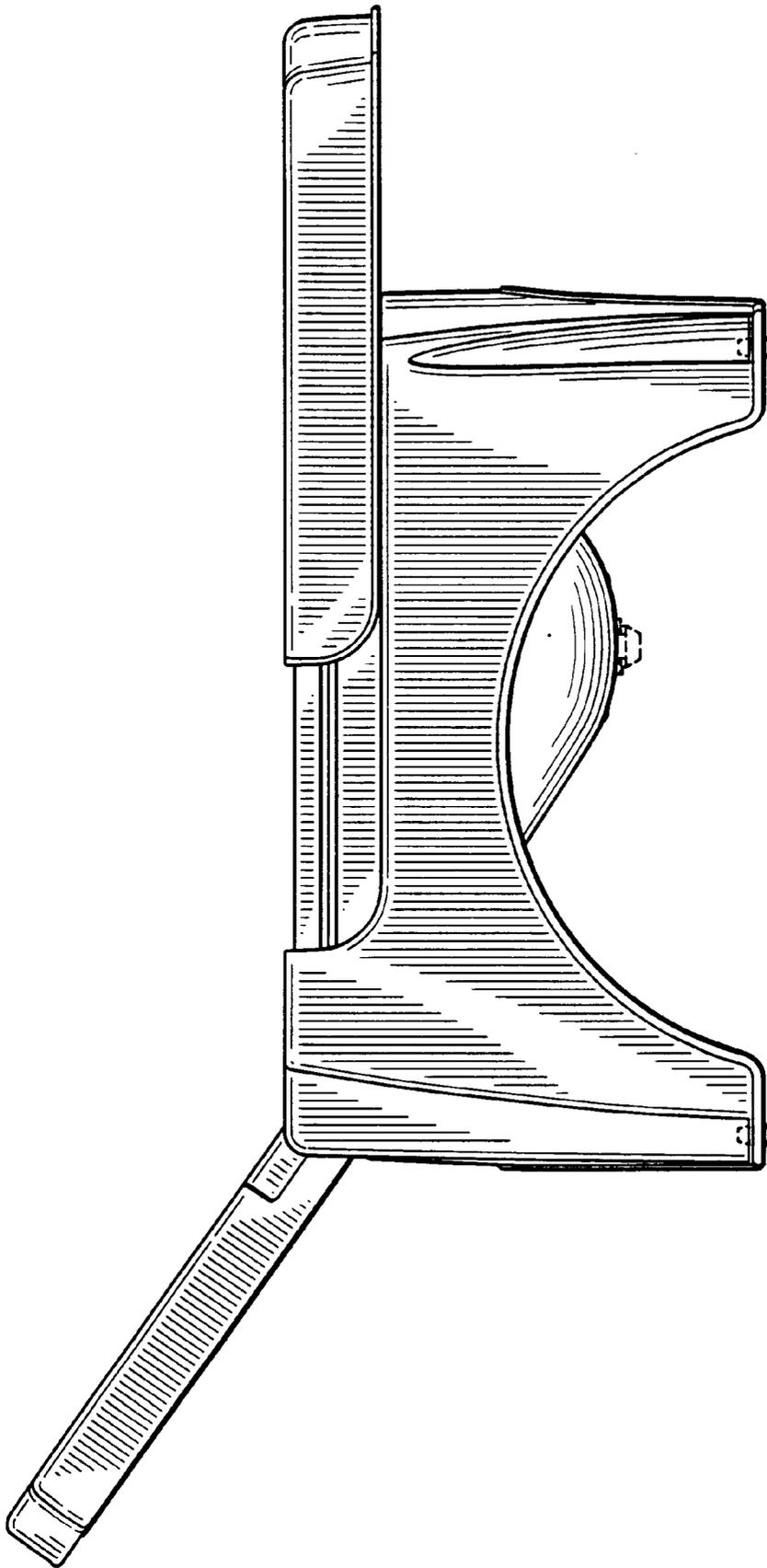


FIG. 6

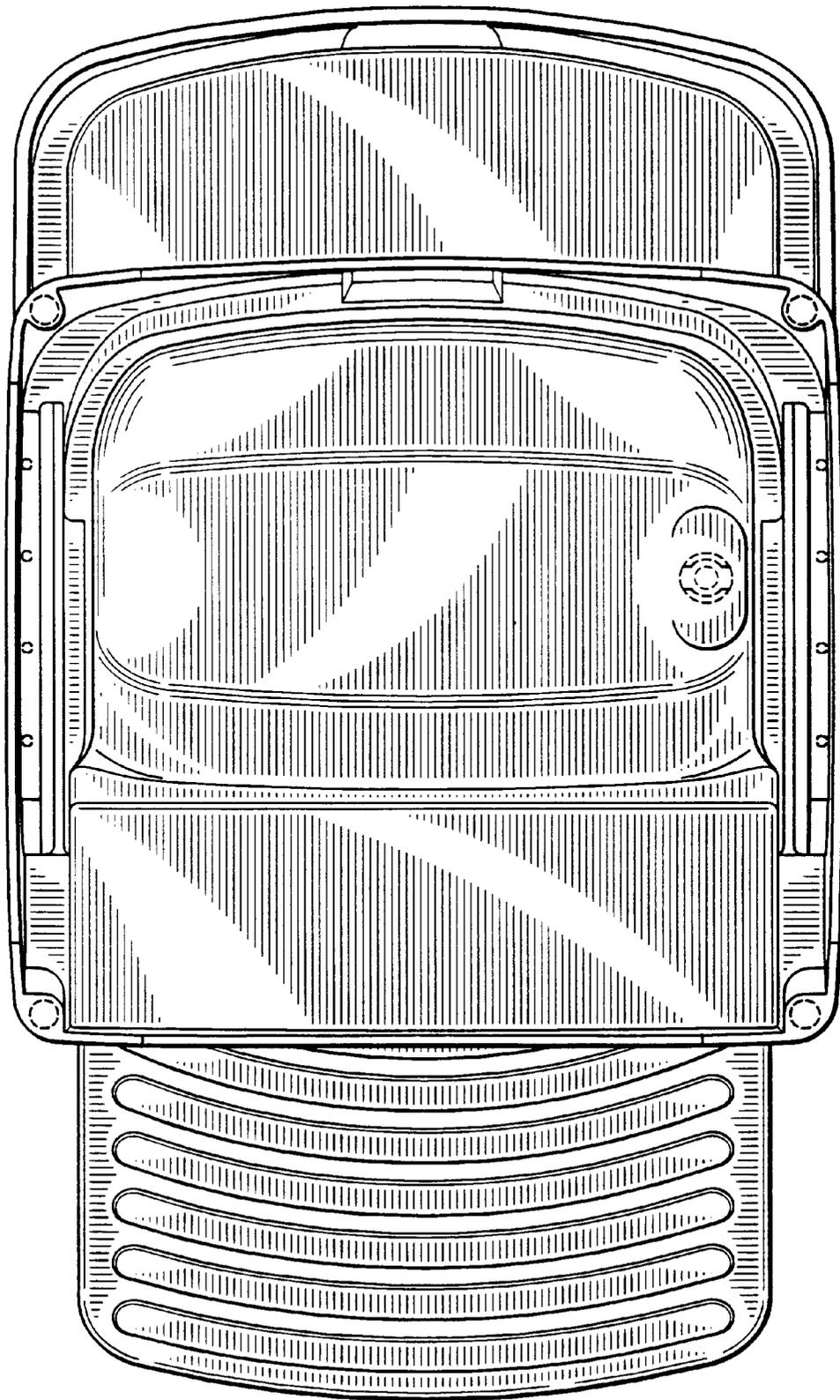


FIG. 7

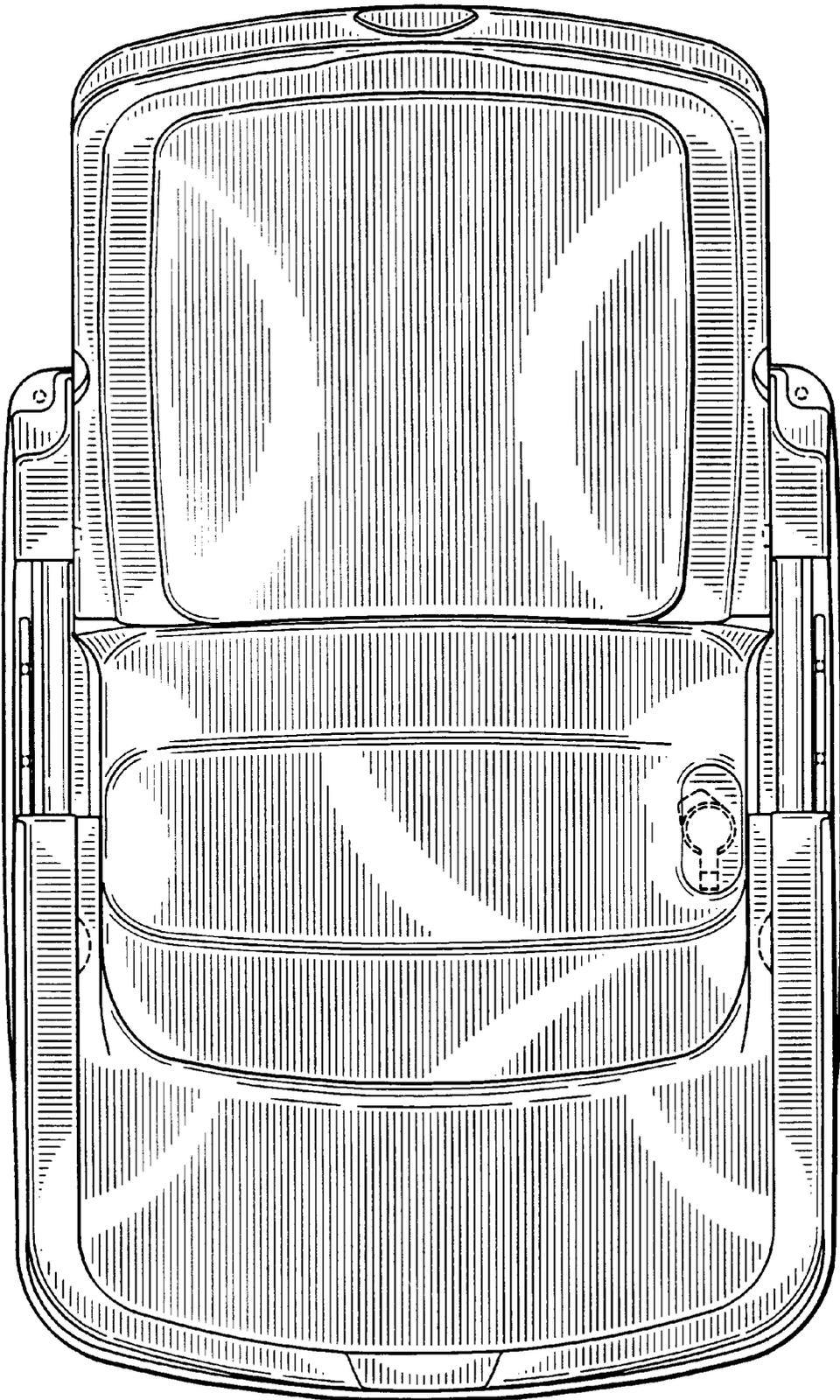


FIG. 8