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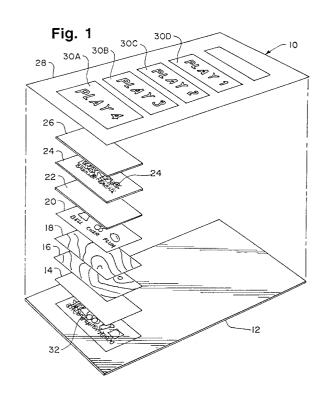
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(54) Game ticket confusion patterns.

Security of game cards such as instant lottery tickets can be improved by locating a confusion pattern (32) below a primer layer (14) on a game cards substrate (12) and by locating another confusion pattern (34) on a release coat (24) above a game card play indica (20). Game card security can be further enhanced by using confusion pattern ink that bleeds through the game card in response to the application of various solvents.





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- 1. Claims 1-5,8,14,17,18,20: Structure of a game card with a confusion pattern and features of this confusion pattern
- 2. Claims 1,6,7,9,10,11,12,13,15,16,19,21,22: Structure of a game card with a confusion pattern and composition of a printing ink