A trim, compact combination case dedicated to storing a cell phone (or PDA or other small electronic device) and an accessible pair of eyeglasses is disclosed. The combination cell phone and eyeglass case includes a phone housing compartment and an adjacent eyeglass housing compartment, which are configured to hold the juxtaposed cell phone and eyeglasses. The phone housing compartment and the eyeglass housing compartment are permanently attached by a joining mechanism. An optional eyeglass-housing cap and an optional swivel belt clip are also disclosed. The compact design allows the combination case to be easily carried in a bag, purse, briefcase or pocket. The combination case advantageously positions the eyeglasses oriented and located for quick retrieval when needed to view the phone screen or buttons.
COMBINATION CELL PHONE AND EYEGlass DEDICATED CASE

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

[0001] The present invention relates generally to cases and carriers, and more particularly, to a compact, streamlined case dedicated to storing a personal digital assistant (PDA), smart phone or cell phone, and conveniently situated eyeglasses.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

[0002] The cell phone has become a ubiquitous personal accessory. It fulfills the need not only for communication, but also performs an ever-increasing number of functions that make life more efficient and enjoyable. New cell phone applications, with ever expanding functionality, are being rapidly developed, thus adding to the dominance of the cell phone in modern electronic life.

[0003] Cell phones themselves continue to become smaller and thus more convenient to carry. Yet the miniaturization of cell phones requires their display screens to be small, even if they are designed to occupy the entire front of the cell phone. Entire documents or spreadsheets may be read from this small screen. For some people the text, icons and images of the screen, as well as the buttons on the device, may be difficult to see clearly. Especially as the population ages, presbyopia, the loss of the ability to clearly see close objects, increases. Thus, many cell phone users need to locate their reading glasses to see the screen. Often there is pressure to retrieve the glasses quickly, such as to determine the identity of the caller while the phone is ringing.

[0004] Currently many cell phone users store their cell phones and eyeglasses in separate cases within a bag, purse or briefcase. Significant inconvenience and annoyance may ensue as they rummage through their bag attempting to quickly locate each separate case, attempt to hurriedly open the cases, and then attempt to disengage both the cell phone and the eyeglasses from their individual cases.

[0005] Other cell phone users opt to use a multipurpose bag with multiple compartments to store the cell phone with other small electronic devices or personal items. Such multi-purpose bags are disclosed in numerous patents and patent applications, such as U.S. Pat. No. 7,293,635 issued to Repke, U.S. Pat. Nos. 7,467,695 and 7,503,440 to Gormick, U.S. Pat. No. 6,857,518 to Chao, U.S. Pat. No. 6,264,029 to Potson, U.S. Patent Publication No. 2005/019467 to Lam, and U.S. Patent Application No. 2003/0029754. While some of the various general compartments are suitable for holding a cell phone and eyeglasses, the generic compartments do not lend themselves to quick and easy access. Many multi-purpose bags are also encumbered with shoulder straps, flaps with closures, zippers, snaps or other encumbrances that restrict or interfere with quick retrieval of the phone and glasses. A dedicated, streamlined case allowing a user to quickly access the eyeglasses and phones, allowing a user to conveniently store the compact case, and allowing a manufacturer to reduce materials cost, is desirable.


the concurrent storage of eyeglasses or phones with other items from mirrors to calculators, none of these successfully present a dedicated, compact storage for a pair of glasses and a phone, while allowing quick and easy access to both.

[0007] Accordingly, though a diverse array of cases are available that can potentially hold a cell phone and a pair of eyeglasses, the available cases do not meet the need for a compact, streamlined case dedicated to storing a mobile phone and conveniently located eyeglasses, while providing quick and easy retrieval of both items and providing for a reduction in manufacturing cost.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0008] The present invention is directed to a trim, compact combination case dedicated to storing a cell phone and a readily accessible pair of eyeglasses. The combination cell phone and eyeglass case includes a phone housing compartment and an adjacent eyeglass housing compartment.

[0009] One wall of the phone housing compartment is permanently attached to one wall of the eyeglass housing compartment by a joining mechanism, with the phone-housing top opening and the eyeglass-housing top opening preferably oriented in the same direction. The combination case advantageously positions the eyeglasses oriented and located for quick retrieval when needed to view the phone screen or controls.

[0010] An optional eyeglass-housing cap and an optional swivel belt clip are also disclosed.

[0011] The compact design of the combination dedicated case provides benefits for users and manufacturers and/or retailers. The lightweight, streamlined design, without burdensome latches, zippers, straps, etc., is economic of space, allowing the combination case to be easily carried in (and retrieved from) bags, purses, briefcases, and pockets. The straightforward combination dedicated case allows quick retrieval of either, or both, the phone and eyeglasses. Also, the trim, compact design reduces materials required for manufacturing, minimizes costs to transport from manufacturer to retailer, and decreases shelf space required for display.

[0012] An object of the present invention is to provide a combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case that conveniently holds a cell phone and a pair of eyeglasses in a manner in which they are easy to quickly extract for use.

[0013] A further object of the present invention is to provide a combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case that is trim and compact.

[0014] An additional object of the present invention is to provide a combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case that allows a user to keep eyeglasses handy and readily available, when needed.

[0015] Another object of the present invention is to provide a combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case whose minimalistic design reduces manufacturing materials.

[0016] A further object of the present invention is to provide a combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case that can be easily inserted into a case, bag, purse, briefcase or pocket.

[0017] These and other objects, features and advantages of the present invention will become more readily apparent from
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0018] The preferred embodiments of the invention will hereinafter be described in conjunction with the appended drawings, provided to illustrate and not to limit the invention, where like designations denote like elements, and in which:

[0019] FIG. 1 is a perspective view showing a first preferred embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0020] FIG. 2 is a perspective view showing a second embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0021] FIG. 3 is a perspective view showing a third embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0022] FIG. 4 is a perspective view showing a fourth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0023] FIG. 5 is a front view showing the fifth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0024] FIG. 6 is a cut view taken along the lines 6-6 of FIG. 5, showing the fifth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0025] FIG. 7 is a cut view taken along the lines 7-7 of FIG. 4 illustrating an optional lining depicted with the fourth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0026] FIG. 8 is a cut view taken along the lines 8-8 of FIG. 3, showing the third embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0027] FIG. 9 is a top view showing the sixth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention;

[0028] FIG. 10 is a top view showing the seventh embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention; and

[0029] FIG. 11 is a perspective view showing the eighth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case of the present invention.

[0030] Like reference numerals refer to like parts throughout the several views of the drawings.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

[0031] Shown throughout the figures, the present invention is directed toward a combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case, shown generally as reference number 10. The combination case 10 has a trim, streamlined design focused on holding a pair of eyeglasses in a readily accessible position for quick retrieval so they are close at hand when needed to provide a better view of the phone screen and/or controls. The combination case 10 includes both a phone housing compartment 20 dedicated to securing a cell phone 25 and an adjoining separate eyeglass housing compartment 30 dedicated to securing a pair of eyeglasses 15, such as reading glasses or prescription glasses.

[0032] The phone housing compartment 20 conveniently protects a cell phone 25, yet allows for easy access. The adjacent positioning of the eyeglass housing compartment 30 keeps the eyeglasses 15 protected, yet handy and easy to reach, if they are needed by the user. Although the phone housing compartment is particularly designed for use with a cell phone 25, it is also suitable for use with other portable consumer electronic devices. Therefore, throughout this disclosure, unless otherwise indicated by context, the term "phone" (and grammatical equivalents) includes any portable consumer electronic device, such as, for example, mobile phones, PDAs, music players, iPods, smart phones, handheld electronic language translators, and the like.

[0033] Eight exemplary embodiments are presented, a first preferred embodiment (FIG. 1), a second embodiment (FIG. 2), a third embodiment (FIG. 3, FIG. 8), a fourth embodiment (FIG. 4, FIG. 7), a fifth embodiment (FIG. 5, FIG. 6), a sixth embodiment (FIG. 9), a seventh embodiment (FIG. 10), and an eighth embodiment (FIG. 11).

[0034] Referring now to FIG. 1, the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case is illustrated in accordance with a first preferred embodiment of the present invention. As shown, the combination dedicated case 10 comprises a phone housing compartment 20 and adjacent eyeglass housing compartment 30, permanently joined by a joining mechanism 11. In the first embodiment the longitudinal eyeglass-housing axis 60 (running from the center of the eyeglass-housing top opening 23 to the center bottom of the eyeglass housing compartment 30) is substantially parallel to the longitudinal phone-housing axis 50 (running from the center of phone-housing top opening 23 to the center bottom of the phone housing compartment 20);

[0035] The phone housing compartment 20 is sized and configured to accommodate the phone, allowing the phone to be easily inserted into, and removed from, the phone housing compartment 20. The phone housing compartment 20 also provides protection to the phone when the phone is installed within the phone housing compartment 20.

[0036] The phone housing compartment 20 comprises a phone-housing bottom wall 21, phone-housing front wall 26, phone-housing back wall 28, and two opposing phone-housing side walls 27 (FIG. 6, FIG. 7, 29) joined to form a pouch-like phone receptacle.

[0037] The tops of the phone-housing front wall 26, phone-housing back wall 28, and said two opposing phone-housing side-walls 27, 29 define a phone-housing top opening 23 (FIG. 3) sized and configured to receive the phone into the phone housing compartment. In the first embodiment of FIG. 1, an upper back extension 22 is disposed above the phone-housing back wall 28 and above the phone-housing top opening 23 and extends upwardly to provide an additional measure of support to the back of the encased phone 25. Upper back extension 22 may be formed integrally with phone-housing back wall 28 or may be formed separately and permanently attached.

[0038] The slim eyeglass housing compartment 30 is sized and configured to accommodate a pair of eyeglasses 15, allowing the eyeglasses 15 to be easily inserted into, and removed from, the eyeglass housing compartment 30. The eyeglass housing compartment 30 provides protection to the eyeglasses 15 when the eyeglasses 15 are installed within the eyeglass housing compartment 30.

[0039] The eyeglass housing compartment 30 comprises an eyeglass-housing bottom wall 31, eyeglass-housing front wall 36, eyeglass-housing back wall 38, and two opposing eyeglass-housing side walls 37, 39 joined to form a pouch-like eyeglass receptacle.
[0040] The tops of the eyeglass-housing front wall 36, eyeglass-housing back wall 38, and two opposing eyeglass-housing side walls 37, 39 define an eyeglass-housing top opening 33 sized and configured to receive the eyeglasses 15 into the eyeglass housing compartment 30. In the first embodiment the eyeglass housing compartment 30 and the phone housing compartment 20 are similarly oriented so that eyeglass-housing top opening 33 and the phone-housing top opening 23 open upwardly. The eyeglass-housing top opening 33 and the phone-housing top opening 23 may be of similar height (as illustrated in FIG. 3 and FIG. 4); or the eyeglass housing compartment 30 may extend upward somewhat, with the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 at a higher level than the phone-housing top opening 23 (as illustrated in FIG. 1 and FIG. 2); or the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 may be at a lower level than the phone-housing top opening 23 (not shown).

[0041] The eyeglass housing compartment 30 and the phone housing compartment 20 are permanently joined together by a joining mechanism 11. Best seen in the cut views of FIG. 6, FIG. 7, FIG. 8, the eyeglass-housing side wall 39 and the phone-housing side wall 27 are secured by any of a variety of permanently joining mechanisms, as are known in the art. For example, the joining mechanism 11 may be a single row of sewn thread (FIG. 6), an adhesive (FIG. 7), a double row of sewn thread (FIG. 8), or the like. The thread used may be any of a wide variety of filaments, fibers, strands, string, twine, yarn, lines or the like. Additionally, a combination of two or more joining mechanisms 11 may be utilized.

[0042] In the first embodiment of FIG. 1, the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 further comprises a removable eyeglass-housing cap 13 forming a top lid configured to secure the eyeglasses 15 within the eyeglass housing compartment 30. The eyeglass-housing cap 13 is preferably slidably engaged with the eyeglass-housing top opening 33. The eyeglass-housing cap 13 may be configured to be slightly smaller than the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 to allow convenient engagement, or vice versa (best seen in FIG. 5).

[0043] To avoid loss or misplacement, the eyeglass-housing cap 13 is preferably attached to a portion of the eyeglass housing compartment. The eyeglass-housing cap 13 may be retained by any of numerous cap-retaining aids, as are known in the art. The cap-retaining aid 14 may be, for example, a hinge (as shown in FIG. 1), a tether, a strap (as shown in FIG. 5), or a section of material joining the cap 13 to the eyeglass housing compartment.

[0044] FIG. 2 illustrates a second exemplary embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention. The second embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 is functionally similar to the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the first embodiment, with the omission of the upper back extension 22 disposed above the phone-housing back wall 28. Thus the second exemplary embodiment is more compact than the first embodiment.

[0045] FIG. 3 and FIG. 8 illustrate a third exemplary embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention. The third embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 is functionally similar to the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the first embodiment, but illustrates a more rounded or contoured eyeglass housing compartment 30 and a more rounded or contoured phone housing compartment 20. Additionally, the third embodiment illustrates the omission of the upper back extension 22 and the omission of the eyeglass-housing cap 13. The very streamlined third embodiment is configured with tight-fitting compartments 20, 30 for the phone and eyeglasses, respectively.

[0046] As seen in FIG. 8, the third embodiment illustrates a joining mechanism 11 comprising two rows of sewn thread providing a more rigid attachment with less flexibility between the eyeglass housing compartment and the phone housing compartment than with a single row of sewn thread, as in FIG. 6.

[0047] FIG. 4 and FIG. 7 illustrate a fourth exemplary embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention. The fourth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 is functionally similar to the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the first embodiment, but illustrates the omission of the upper back extension 22, the omission of the eyeglass-housing cap 13, the addition of lining 14 (FIG. 7), the addition of an optional case attachment 17 (FIG. 7), and the joining mechanism 11 embodied as adhesive.

[0048] The case attachment 17, such as a belt loop, a swivel belt clip, or a wrist loop or strap, is either permanently attached to the back of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case or removable attachable to the back of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10. The case attachment 17 allows the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 to be conveniently attached to another article, such as, for example, a belt, purse edge, keychain or user's wrist. Thus the optional case attachment 17 may allow the user to locate the combination dedicated case 10 in a convenient, easily retrievable position.

[0049] An optional lining 14 may be provided in the interior of either or both of the phone housing compartment 20 and/or the eyeglass housing compartment 30. The lining 14 of the eyeglass housing compartment 30 will protect the eyeglass lenses from scratching. The lining 14 of the phone housing compartment 20 will protect the phone screen from damage. Lining 14 may be any soft, scratch-free, natural or manmade fabric or material, such as, for example, flannel, velour, brushed cotton, flocking, knit fabric or the like. The lining 14 may coordinate or contrast with the outside materials of the combination dedicated case 10, as may be based on aesthetic and marketability considerations.

[0050] FIG. 5 and FIG. 6 illustrate a fifth exemplary embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention. The fifth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 is functionally similar to the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the first embodiment, but illustrates an optional cap fastening mechanism 18, 19 and the cap-retaining aid 14 embodied in a strap. FIG. 6 illustrates joining mechanism 11 as a single row of sewn thread.

[0051] FIG. 9 illustrates a sixth exemplary embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention. The sixth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 is functionally similar to the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the first embodiment, but illustrates an alternate positioning of the two compartments 20, 30. As in the first five embodiments the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 and the phone-housing top opening 23 are oriented in a similar direction; also, the phone-housing axis 50 is generally parallel to
the eyeglass-housing axis 60. However, the eyeglass housing compartment 30 is positioned in a generally central front area of the phone housing compartment 20, with the eyeglass-housing back wall 38 joined in a central area of the phone-housing front wall 26.

FIG. 10 illustrates a seventh exemplary embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention. The seventh embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 is functionally similar to the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the first embodiment, but illustrates a second alternate positioning of the two compartments 20, 30. As in the first six embodiments the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 and the phone-housing top opening 23 are oriented in a similar direction; also, the phone-housing axis 50 is generally parallel to the eyeglass-housing axis 60. However, the eyeglass housing compartment 30 is positioned off-center of the phone housing compartment 20, with the eyeglass-housing back wall 38 joined to a side area of the phone-housing front wall 26.

FIG. 11 illustrates an eighth exemplary embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention. The eighth embodiment of the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 is functionally similar to the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the first embodiment, but illustrates a third exemplary alternate positioning of the two compartments 20, 30 and illustrates that longitudinal phone-housing axis 50 and longitudinal eyeglass-housing axis 60 need not be parallel. As in the first seven embodiments the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 and the phone-housing top opening 23 are oriented in a similar direction, but the phone-housing axis 50 is generally diagonal to the eyeglass-housing axis 60. The eyeglass-housing back wall 38 is joined diagonally to the phone-housing front wall 26. Other placements and positions of the eyeglass housing compartment 30 in relation to the phone housing compartment 20 are also within the scope of the invention. Other exemplary placements include the following: reverse positioning (such as the eyeglass housing compartment 30 attached in a generally central back area of the phone housing compartment 20, not shown); bottom positioning (such as the eyeglass housing compartment 30 permanently joined to the bottom wall 21 of the phone housing compartment 20 with the phone-housing axis 50 and the eyeglass-housing axis 60 substantially perpendicular, not shown); and various positions in which the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 and the phone-housing top opening 23 are not oriented in the same direction (not shown).

The combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention has been shown in numerous and varied exemplary embodiments having an eyeglass housing compartment 30 and a phone housing compartment 20 permanently joined to form the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 and functioning to hold the juxtaposed cell phone and eyeglasses. The features and variations described and their equivalents can be utilized together or separately in a wide variety of combinations in designing and manufacturing the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10. For example, variations for functional and/or aesthetic reasons may include one or more of the following: the phone-housing axis 50 in relation to the eyeglass-housing axis 60; the height of the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 in relation to the phone-housing top opening 23; the orientation of the eyeglass-housing top opening 33 in relation to the phone-housing top opening 23; in the type of permanent joining mechanism 11 used; the inclusion or omission of a top lid 13; the type of cap-retaining aid 14; the angularity or curvature of the eyeglass housing compartment 30; the angularity or curvature of the phone housing compartment 20; the inclusion, omission, and type of any case attachment 17 (FIG. 7); the inclusion, omission, and type of lining 14 (FIG. 7); the inclusion, omission, or height of upper back extension 22; and/or the particular wall of the eyeglass housing compartment 30 that is permanently joined to the particular wall of the phone housing compartment 20. To secure or latch the cap 13 onto the top of eyeglass-housing top opening 33, a cap fastening mechanism 18, 19 may optionally be included. The cap fastening mechanism 18, 19 may be any latch or fastening mechanism, as is known in the art. The cap fastening mechanism 18, 19 may be magnetic, dielectric, or similar to other fastening techniques, as are known in the art.

The trimming, minimalistic design provides advantages to the manufacturer, distributor and retailer, as well as eco-logic advantages. The compact size minimizes materials used for manufacture, transportation costs, and shelf display space. Also, the streamlined design allows the user to easily insert the case 10 into a bag, purse, briefcase or the like that is already in his or her possession.

To use the combination cell phone and eyeglass dedicated case 10 of the present invention, the user stores his or her phone 25 (or other handheld consumer device) within the phone housing compartment 20 and stores a pair of eyeglasses 15 in the eyeglass housing compartment 30. Although the user may answer the phone or perform other tasks at times without removing the eyeglasses, when needed the eyeglasses are readily available and quick and easy to extract.

Since many modifications, variations and changes in detail can be made to the described preferred embodiments of the invention, it is intended that all matters in the foregoing description and shown in the accompanying drawings be interpreted as illustrative and not in a limiting sense. Thus, the scope of the invention should be determined by the appended claims and their legal equivalents.

What is claimed is:

1. A case for eyeglasses and a phone, comprising:
   a phone housing compartment sized and configured to accommodate said phone;
an eyeglass housing compartment disposed adjacent to
said phone housing compartment, said eyeglass housing
compartment sized and configured to accommodate said
eyeglasses; and
a joining mechanism configured to permanently attach said
phone housing compartment to said eyeglass housing
compartment.
2. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
1, wherein:
said phone housing compartment comprises a phone-hous-
ing bottom wall, phone-housing front wall, phone-hous-
ing back wall, and two opposing phone-housing side
walls, with the tops of said phone-housing front wall, said
phone-housing back wall, and said two opposing
phone-housing side walls defining a phone-housing top
opening sized and configured to receive said phone into
said phone housing compartment; and
said eyeglass housing compartment comprises an eyeglass-
housing bottom wall, eyeglass-housing front wall, eye-
glass-housing back wall, and two opposing eyeglass-
housing side walls, with the tops of said eyeglass-
housing front wall, said eyeglass-housing back wall, and
said two opposing eyeglass-housing side walls defining
an eyeglass-housing top opening sized and configured to
receive said eyeglasses into said eyeglass housing com-
artment.
3. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said phone-housing top opening and said eyeglass-
housing top opening are oriented in the same direction.
4. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein the longitudinal axis of the phone housing is
substantially parallel to the longitudinal axis of the eyeglass
housing.
5. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein the longitudinal axis of the phone housing is not
substantially parallel to the longitudinal axis of the eyeglass
housing.
6. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein one of said two opposing eyeglass-housing side
walls is attached to one of said two opposing phone-housing
side walls.
7. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said eyeglass-housing back wall is attached to said
phone-housing front wall.
8. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, further comprising an eyeglass-housing cap configured to
restrain said eyeglasses within said eyeglass housing com-
partment.
9. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
8, further comprising a cap fastening mechanism to remov-
ably secure said eyeglass-housing cap to said eyeglass hous-
ing compartment.
10. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
9, wherein said cap fastening mechanism comprises a mag-
netic closure.
11. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, further comprising a case attachment affixed to said phone-
housing back wall, wherein said case attachment is config-
ured to allow said case for said eyeglasses and said phone to
be attached to another article.
12. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
11, wherein said case attachment comprises a swivel belt clip.
13. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
11, wherein said case attachment comprises a loop.
14. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said joining mechanism comprises adhesive.
15. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said joining mechanism comprises thread used for
sewing one of said two opposing phone-housing side walls to
one of said two opposing eyeglass-housing side walls.
16. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said phone housing compartment and said eyeg-
glass housing compartment are formed of natural leather.
17. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said phone housing compartment and said eye-
glass housing compartment are formed of a synthetic leather-
like material.
18. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said phone housing compartment and said eye-
glass housing compartment are molded from a semi-rigid
material.
19. The case for eyeglasses and a phone, as recited in claim
2, wherein said phone housing compartment and said eye-
glass housing compartment are formed of a synthetic neopre-
ne-like material.
20. A dedicated, hand-held case for containing eyeglasses
and a phone, comprising:
an eyeglass housing compartment sized and configured to
accommodate said phone; said phone housing compart-
ment having a phone-housing bottom wall, phone-hous-
ing front wall, phone-housing back wall, and two oppos-
ing phone-housing side walls joined to form a pouch-
like phone receptacle; wherein the tops of said phone-
housing front wall, said phone-housing back wall, and
said two opposing phone-housing side walls define a
phone-housing top opening; wherein said phone-
housing top opening is sized and configured to allow
said phone to be inserted into said pouch-like phone
receptacle;
an eyeglass housing compartment forming a pouch-like
eyeglass receptacle sized and configured to accommo-
date said eyeglasses; said eyeglass housing compart-
ment disposed adjacent to, and oriented in the same
direction as said phone housing compartment; said eye-
glass housing compartment having an eyeglass-housing
bottom wall, an eyeglass-housing front wall, an eye-
glass-housing back wall, and two opposing eyeglass-
housing side walls; wherein the tops of said eyeglass-
housing front wall, said eyeglass-housing back wall, and
said two opposing eyeglass-housing side walls define an
eyeglass-housing top opening; and
wherein said eyeglass-housing top opening is sized and
configured to allow said eyeglasses to be inserted into
said pouch-like eyeglass receptacle; and wherein the lon-
gitudinal axis of the phone housing is substantially
parallel to the longitudinal axis of the eyeglass housing;
and
thread configured to permanently sew one of said two
opposing phone-housing side walls to one of said two
opposing eyeglass-housing side walls in such a manner
that said phone-housing top opening and said eyeglass-
housing top opening are oriented in the same direction.

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