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(54) **LIGHT EMITTING PANEL ASSEMBLIES**  
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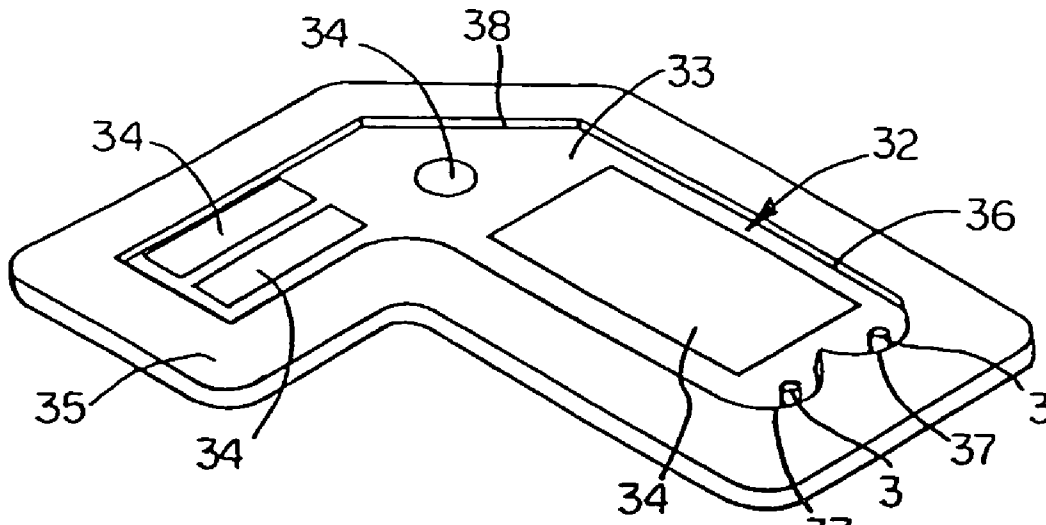
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

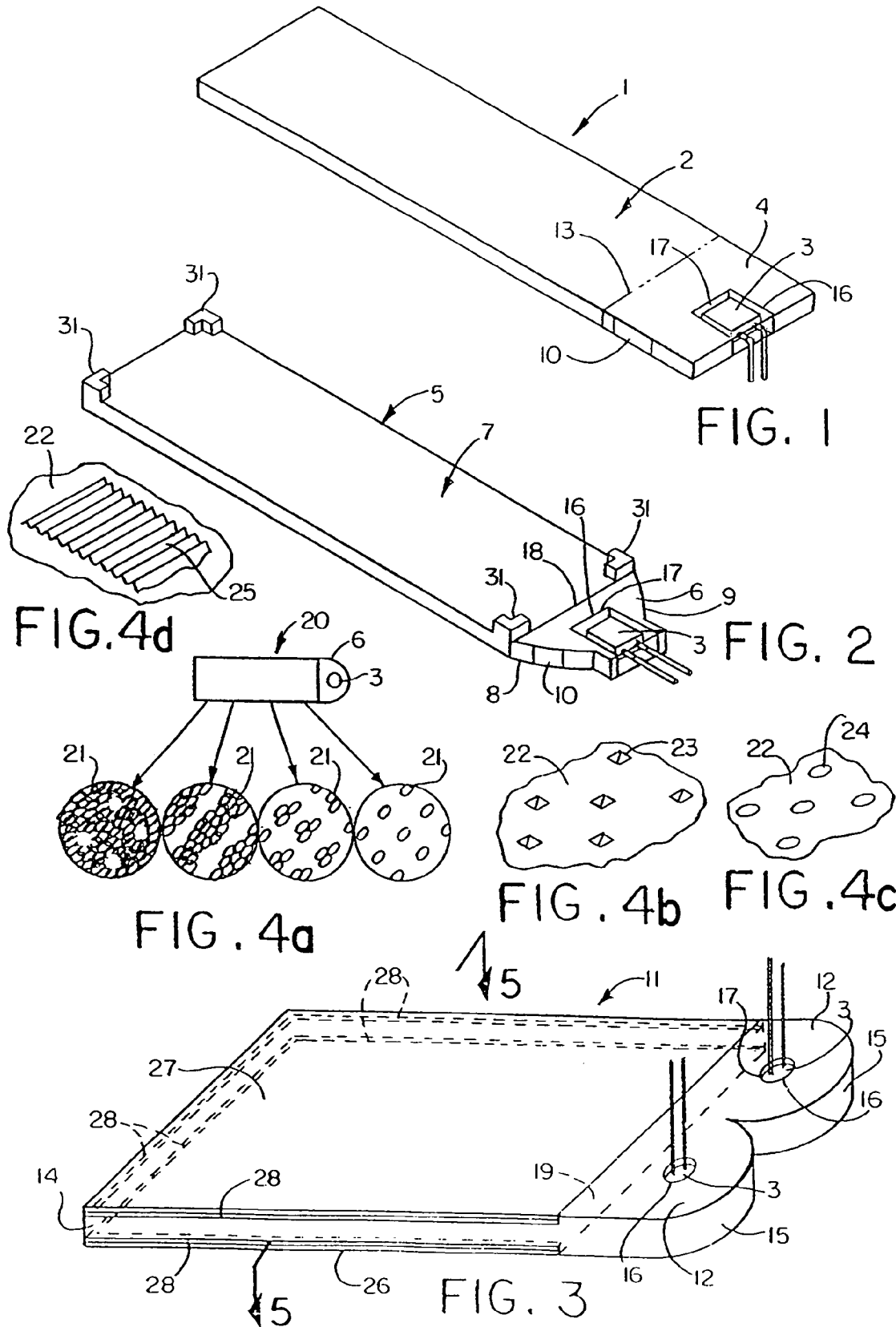
Light emitting assemblies include a tray that forms a cavity or recess containing one or more light sources. A sheet, film or substrate is positioned over the cavity or recess for controlling the light emitted from the assembly. The tray acts as a back, side or edge reflector, and has one or more secondary reflective or refractive surfaces.

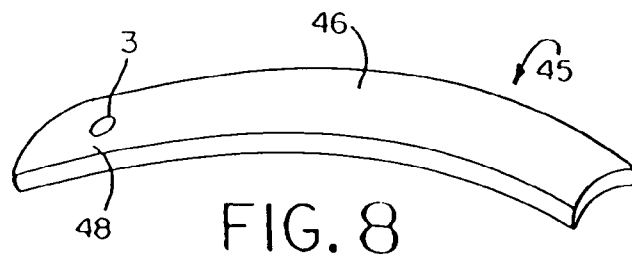
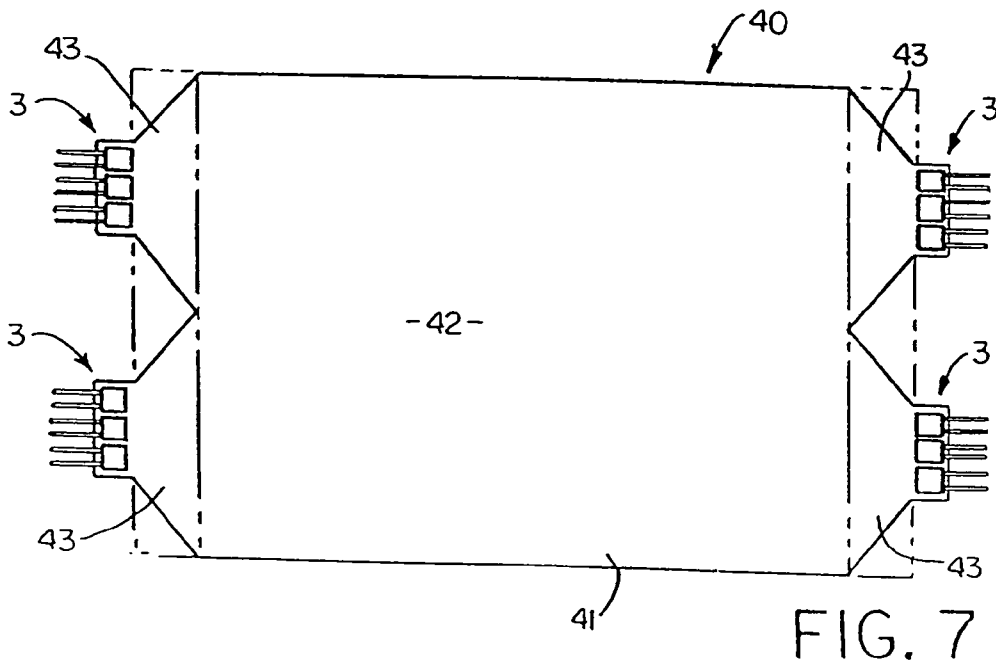
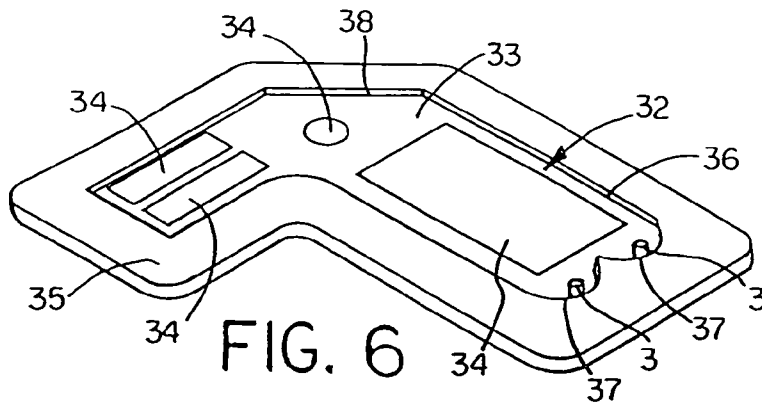
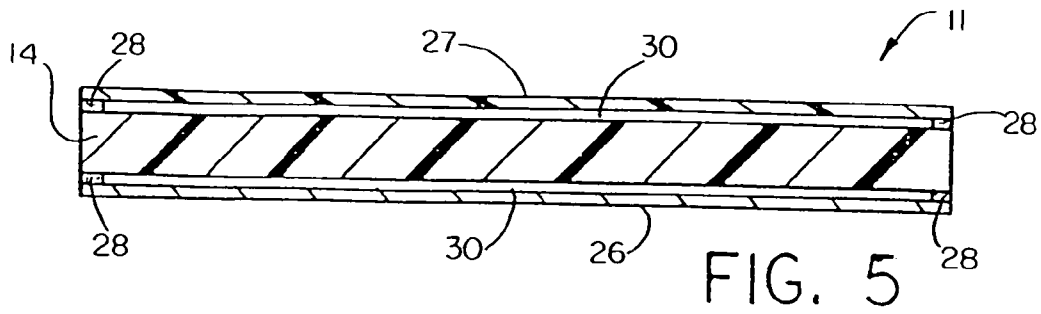
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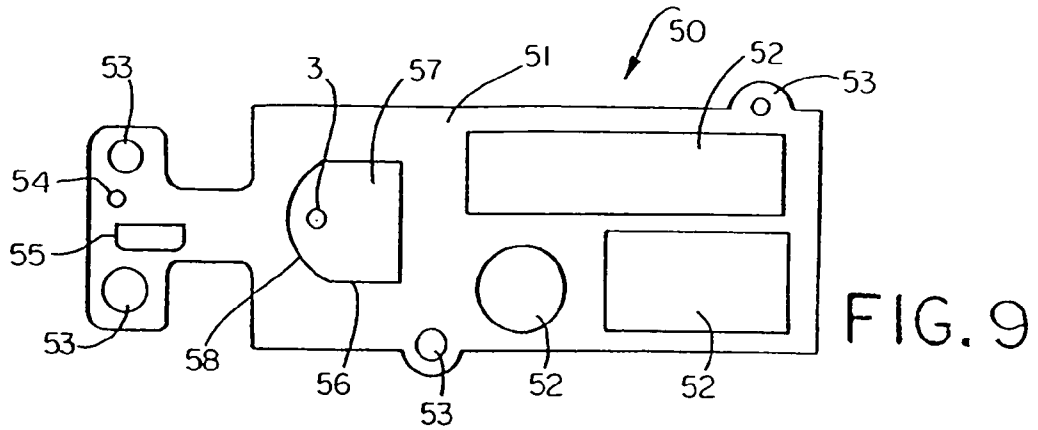


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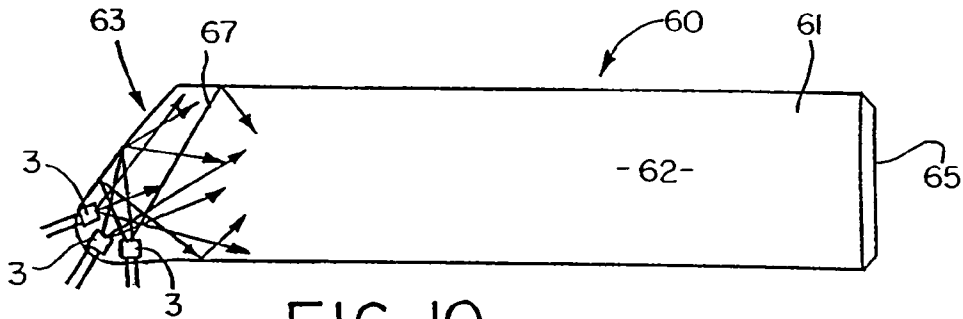


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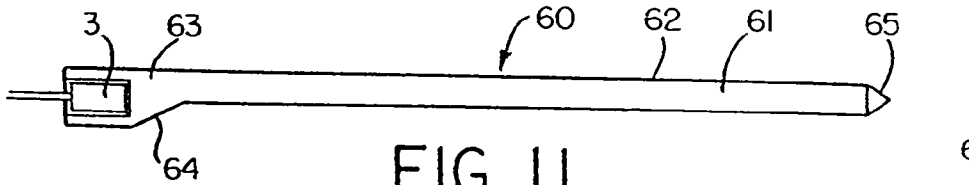


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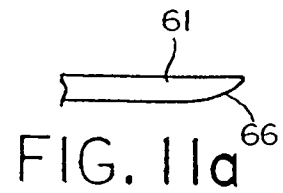


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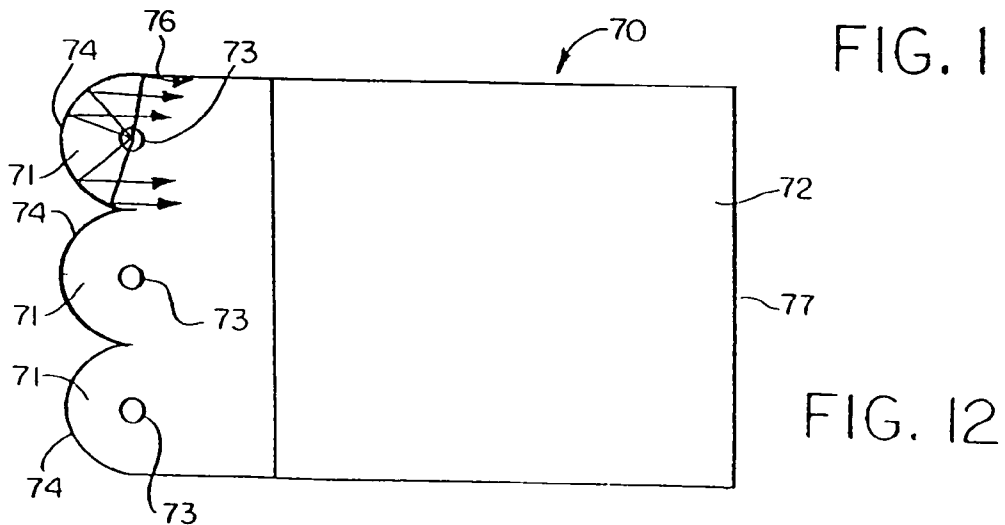


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