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54 **Image-receiving sheet for thermal transfer printing.**

57 An image-receiving sheet for thermal transfer printing comprising on a substrate an intermediate layer made primarily of a resin insoluble in organic solvents, and an image-receiving layer made primarily of a resin soluble in organic solvents and formed on the intermediate layer. This type of sheet is

significantly improved in smoothness and blocking properties, enabling one to obtain print images of a very high quality, by thermal transfer printing, which are substantially free from the known problem relating to a missing transfer portion and which are high in the optical density for images as printed.

FIG. 1

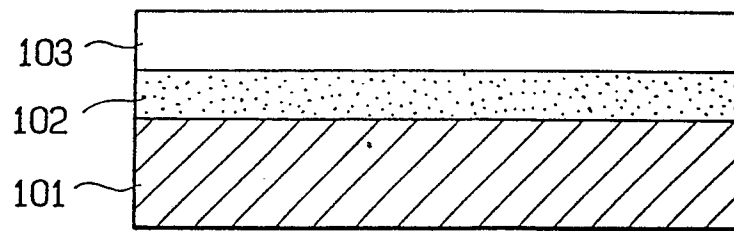
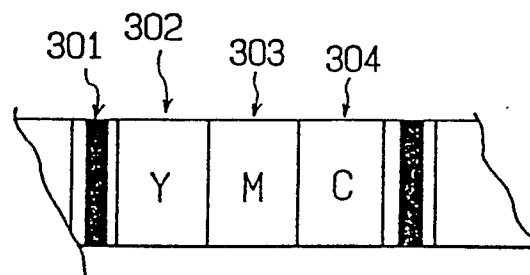


FIG. 3





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