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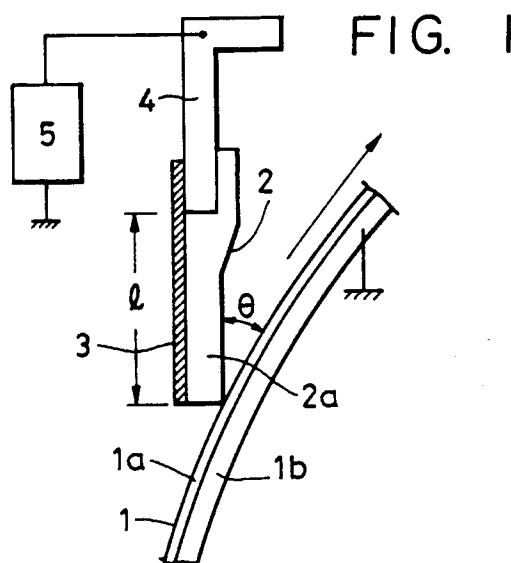
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(57) A charging member for charging a member (1) to be charged includes a blade member (2), a supporting member (4) which supports the blade member (2), and an electrode layer (3) which is provided on the blade member (2) and is connected to the supporting member (4). The electrode layer (3) is formed after connecting the blade member (2) to the supporting member. A charging device uses the charging member. A process unit including the charging device is detachable relative to an image forming apparatus.

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