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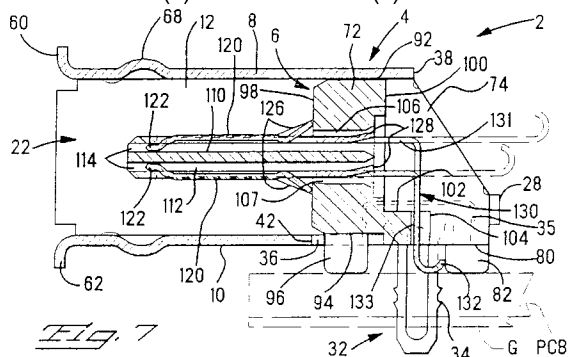
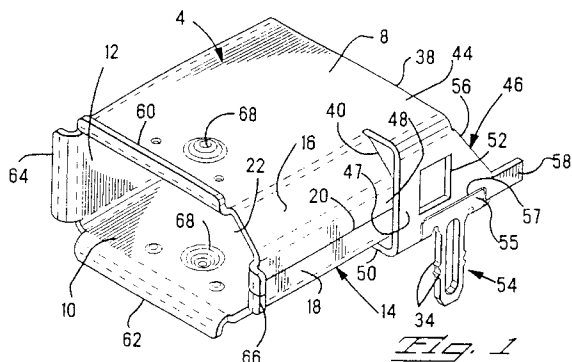
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(54) **Shielding a surface mount electrical connector.**

(57) A folded sheet metal shielding shell (4) for a surface mounted electrical connector (6) has a side wall (14) with parts (16,18) defining a seam (20) extending longitudinally of the shielding shell (4) so that electro-magnetic induction radiated by the mating portions (120) of the terminals (120) of the connector (6) is not directed towards the circuit board

(PCB) upon which the shell (4) and the connector (6) are mounted, so as to interfere with circuitry on the board (PCB). The seam (2) may be held closed by means of a mounting flange, for securing the shell to a mounting panel (P). A cantilever flange (46) which depends from a top wall (8) is provided for securing the connector (6) within the shell (4).

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