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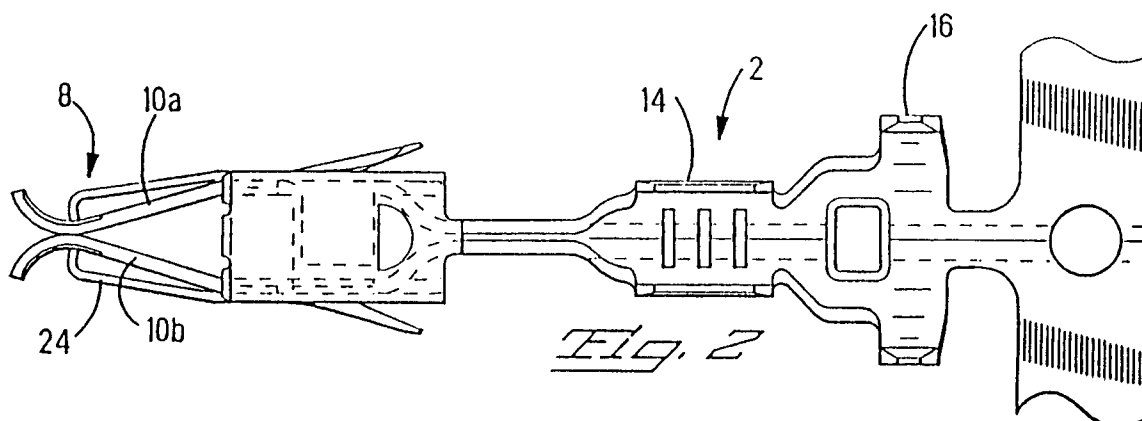
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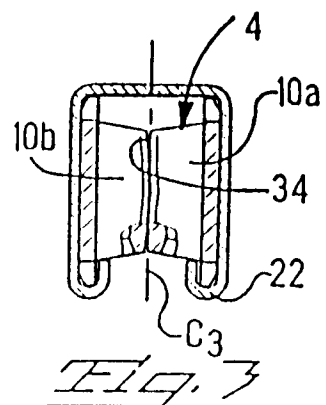
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(54) **Electrical terminal.**

(57) An electrical contact (2) has an inner contact member (4) and an outer assist spring (6) where backup spring arms (24) of the assist spring (6) press against cantilever beam spring arms (10a and 10b) to increase contact pressure on an inserted tab. The cantilever beam spring arm (10a) includes two

contact points at (34) with an intermediate shallow section (36) whereas the cantilever beam spring arm (10b) includes a single contact point at (32). This configuration provides three distinct contact points for an inserted tab, and increases the contact force against an inserted tab contact.

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