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(54) **Method of manufacturing a sign and a sign manufactured by this method and an article carrying such a sign**

(57) In the method a layer of transparent, two-component polyurethane (8), with properties which facilitate its cutting, is moulded onto a base layer, preferably a self-adhesive vinyl on a support paper (4). The vinyl may be provided with a background colour or an image. An

image (10) is printed on the polyurethane layer; a coating cover layer (14) of hard, transparent, two-component polyurethane is then moulded on top of the assembly. Hereby a sign with a three-dimensional effect is produced. The sign is also suitable for mounting in a specially prepared recess.

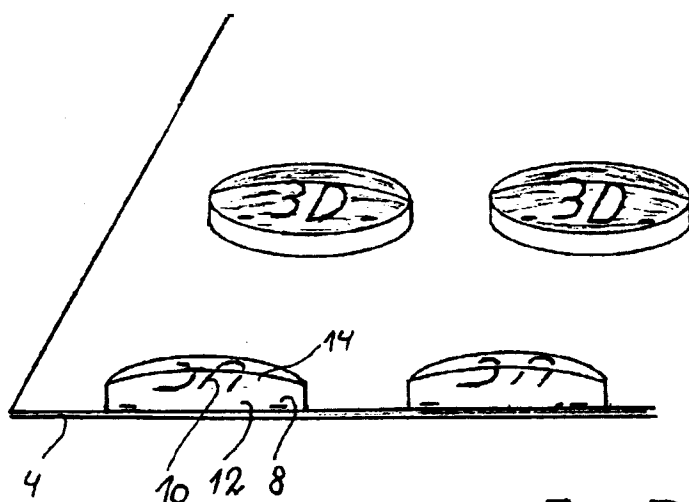


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