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(54) **High temperature resistant target masking devices**

(57) A high temperature resistant masking device (10) comprising a substrate (15) having a top surface (12) and a bottom surface (14), with an adhesive applied to the bottom surface (14) of the substrate (15) for removable attachment of the masking device (10) to a surface to be masked. The masking device (10) includes a transparent substrate (15) with a plurality of markings (16,18) embossed or printed on the top surface of the

substrate to facilitate accurate placement and precision alignment of the masking device (10) on the masking surface. The masking devices (10) are die-cut from sheet material into various shapes and sizes, and placed on a release liner so that they may be readily applied to the surfaces of various parts requiring masking during liquid coating, powder coating, plating or electroplating.

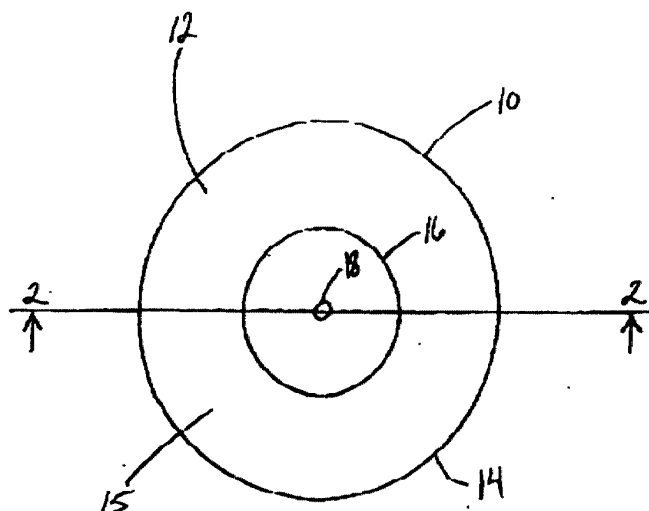


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