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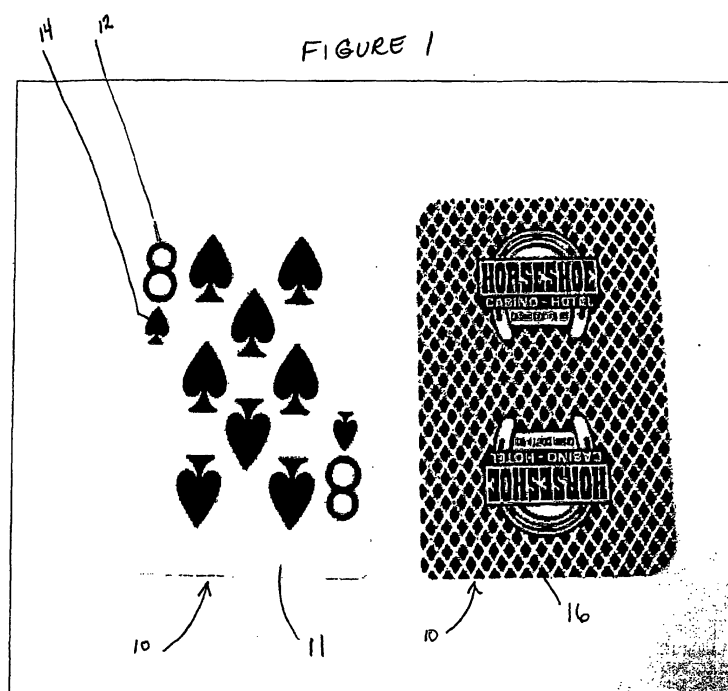
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(54) **Multi-Deck playing card set and method of playing card games using same**

(57) A multi-deck playing card set includes a combination of at least two standard fifty-two card decks, each card (10) having a front side (11), a back side (16), and a top portion and a bottom portion on each side. The multi-deck card set also includes a mark (214) or indicia, either in color, black and white, shades of color, or shades

of black and white, on each individual card, located on at least one side of the card to distinguish cards belonging to a particular individual deck of cards. Each individual deck has a unique mark (214) or indicia distinguishing all cards from the particular deck. The multi-deck card set also may be adapted for use in table games or video card playing machines and/or systems.





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