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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The liquid crystal display device of the present invention includes a first substrate, a second substrate placed to face the first substrate, and a liquid crystal layer interposed between the first and second substrates. The liquid crystal layer includes: a splay-aligned region in which a transformation from splay alignment to bend alignment or from bend alignment to splay alignment occurs according to a voltage applied; and a nucleation region serving as a nucleation site for initiating the transformation to occur in the splay-aligned region. The nucleation region includes a plurality of first nucleation regions each extending in a first direction and a plurality of second nucleation regions each extending in a second direction different from the first direction. The splay-aligned region includes a plurality of first splay-aligned regions having a first width in the second direction and a plurality of second splay-aligned regions having a second width smaller than the first width in the second direction. The plurality of first splay-aligned regions include two first splay-aligned regions connected to each other via one of the plurality of second splay-aligned regions.



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