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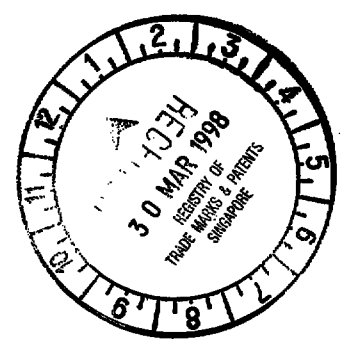


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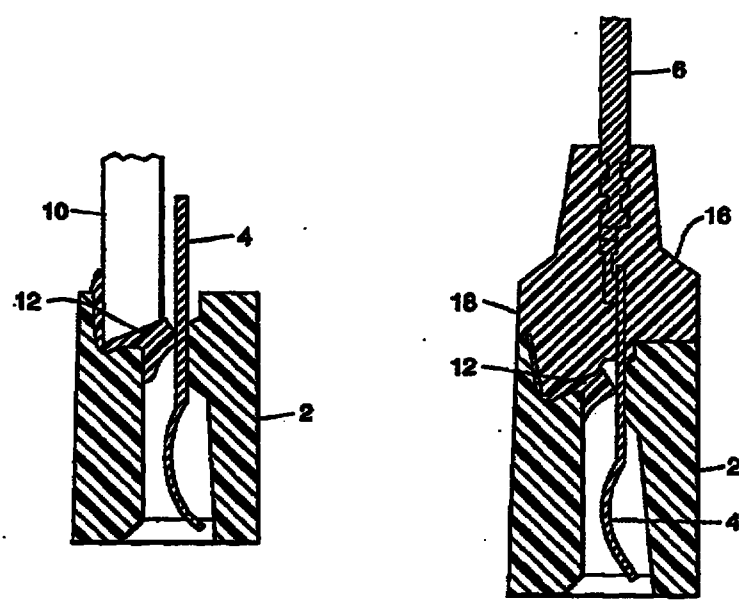
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(54) Title: **CIRCUIT BOARD CONNECTORS**



(57) Abstract

A process for fabricating an electrical connector by the steps of: providing a housing (2) of thermoplastic material having a front surface which will constitute an exterior surface of the connector, a rear surface and an opening extending to the rear surface; installing a conductive contact member (4) so that at least a portion of the conductive contact member (4) is positioned in the opening; and heating a portion of the housing (2) adjacent the rear surface while displacing the portion (12) of the housing (2) to a location to extend across the opening and to contact the conductive contact member (4), and then allowing the portion (12) of the housing (2) to solidify at that location. The electrical connector may initially have a through opening which extends between the front and rear surfaces and the portion (12) of the housing (2) which is heated will be displaced in a manner to close the opening.