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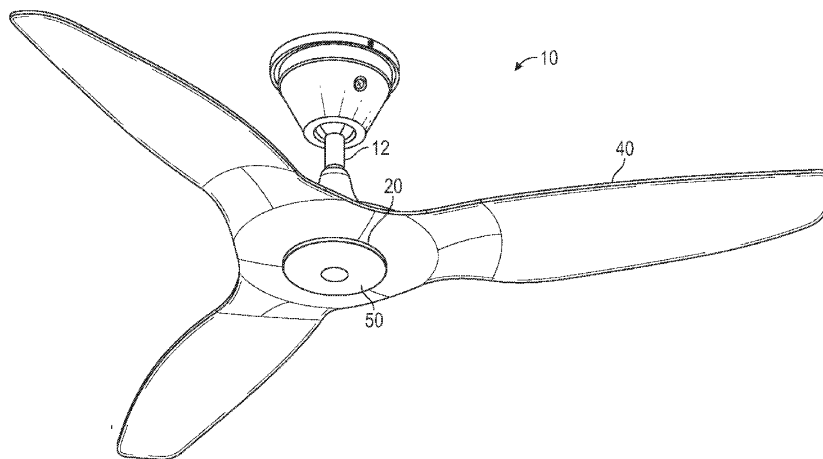


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: A fan with a blade retention system provides security for retaining a blade to the fan in the event a primary fastener or connection between the blade and the hub fails. The retention system may include a connector external to the blade. The connector may connect the blade to the hub, to the downrod, or to other adjacent blades. In some instances, an anchor may connect the connector to the blade and/or the hub or other part of the fan.

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