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## 1 Introduction to West CiteAdvisor

## What Is West CiteAdvisor?

West CiteAdvisor checks citations in legal documents and suggests the correct citation format. West CiteAdvisor

- identifies legal citations (cases, statutes, court rules, regulations, constitutions, administrative decisions, and journal and law review articles) in your Microsoft Word or Corel WordPerfect document.
- suggests citations from *The Bluebook*: A Uniform System of Citation, the ALWD Citation Manual, or a citation style specific to a specific state.
- gives you complete control over which citation changes to make—no changes are made without your approval.
- applies correct formatting directly to your document.
- creates a properly formatted table of authorities (TOA) in your document.

The software version of West CiteAdvisor includes

- compatibility with document management systems (DMS).
- compatibility with Microsoft Word and Corel WordPerfect.
- local citation checking (you can send only the citations from your document, rather than the entire document).
- the Westlaw Solutions Framework interface, which makes using, managing, and accessing Westlaw Solutions products easier.

## **Benefits of West CiteAdvisor**

The TOA and cite-formatting features of West CiteAdvisor give you

- letter-perfect accuracy. Your citation formats will meet the standards of the appropriate court, publisher, or law professor.
- effectiveness. Quickly and almost effortlessly, it builds and inserts a table of authorities.
- efficiency. You can complete document editing and proofreading in a fraction of the time ordinarily required.
- flexibility and full control. Select the formatting rules you want to use: *The Bluebook, ALWD Citation Manual,* your jurisdiction's rules, or your personal preferences; West CiteAdvisor scans your document and suggests formatting changes you can accept or reject.

## How to Get West CiteAdvisor

Download West CiteAdvisor at <u>store.westlaw.com/software/cite-advisor</u>. West CiteAdvisor, the software version, installs into the Westlaw Solutions Framework, in Microsoft Word or Corel WordPerfect.

## How to Access TOA & Cite Formatting Commands

To access TOA and cite-formatting commands in West CiteAdvisor, do one of the following while viewing your legal document in Microsoft Word or Corel WordPerfect:

- From the Westlaw Solutions tab on the word processor ribbon, click TOA & Cite Formatting.
- Click the TOA & Cite Formatting command button on the word processor toolbar.
- Click Select Product from the Westlaw Solutions window and then click TOA & Cite Formatting.

Note Not all access methods are available on all systems.

## 2 Using TOA & Cite Formatting

## **Signing On**

To sign on and access TOA and cite-formatting features, complete these steps:

- 1. Open your legal document in Word or WordPerfect.
- 2. Access the **TOA & Cite Formatting** command. The Sign On with OnePass dialog box is displayed (Figure 2-1).



Figure 2-1. Sign On with OnePass dialog box

- 3. Type your OnePass username and password and a client identifier in the appropriate text boxes.
- 4. Click Sign On. The TOA & Cite Formatting home page is displayed in the left frame (Figure 2-2).

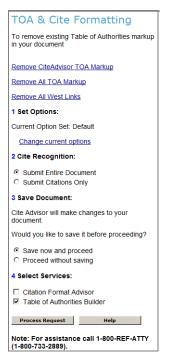


Figure 2-2. TOA & Cite Formatting home page

## **Checking Citation Formats**

To check the citation formats in your legal document, complete these steps:

- 1. Open TOA & Cite Formatting and sign on according to the instructions under "Signing On" on page 2.
- 2. On the TOA & Cite Formatting home page, your current option set is listed under Set Options. To change your options, click **Change current options**. For more information, see "Setting TOA & Cite Formatting Options" on page 5.
- 3. Under Cite Recognition, click your citation recognition preference. Click **Submit Entire Document** to send your entire document to a Thomson Reuters server for processing, or click **Submit Citations Only** to submit only the citations from your document.
- 4. During processing, changes will be made to your document. To save your document before proceeding, click **Save now and proceed** under Save Document. Or, click **Proceed without saving**.
- 5. Select the **Citation Format Advisor** check box. To also create a table of authorities, select the **Table of Authorities Builder** check box (for details, see "Building a Table of Authorities" on page 4).
  - **Note** It is considered best practice to use the Citation Format Advisor and the Table of Authorities Builder together.
- 6. Click **Process Request**. The first citation that is recognized is highlighted in the document and displayed in the Citation box in the left frame (Figure 2-3).

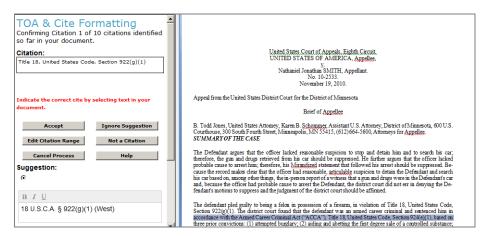


Figure 2-3. Sample suggestion page

- 7. If the citation is not correctly displayed in the Citation box, click **Edit Citation Range** to make corrections to the boundaries of the citation. Select the desired text in your document and click **Accept Change**.
- 8. The suggested citation format is displayed in the Suggestion box. To accept the suggestion, click Accept. If there are multiple suggestions, first click the desired suggestion, then click Accept. Or, click Ignore Suggestion to ignore the suggestion and move to the next citation and suggestion. If the citation is not valid, click Not a Citation to move to the next citation and suggestion. Selecting Not a Citation will ensure that the citation is not included in the table of authorities.

### Notes

- You cannot edit a suggestion in the Suggestion box. You can, however, edit your document while
  processing suggestions, taking what you like from a suggestion and ignoring what you don't like.
  After editing your document, click Ignore Suggestion to ensure that the citation will be included
  in the table of authorities.
- The reporter citation to very recent cases may be unofficial and could change.
- 9. Click Cancel Process to quit or to check a new document.

### Notes

- Billing starts at the first suggestion.
- Statute publication dates included in your document will be added to citation suggestions. If there is no date in the statute citation in your document, no date will be added to the suggestion.
- If you have included a pinpoint page number in the text of your document, it will be included in the suggestion. However, pinpoint page numbers won't be generated.

## **Building a Table of Authorities**

The Table of Authorities Builder inserts a list of references in your legal document where your cursor is positioned (or where you have selected text).

Note Before you build a table of authorities, it is recommended that you remove from your document all existing TOA markup, plus links markup inserted by a Westlaw Solutions product (e.g., West BriefTools). The TOA & Cite Formatting home page provides markup removal options to help you with this task.

To generate a table of authorities in your legal document, complete these steps:

- 1. Open TOA & Cite Formatting and sign on according to the instructions under "Signing On" on page 2.
- 2. At the TOA & Cite Formatting home page, click the appropriate markup removal options (Figure 2-4) to help you remove from your document all existing TOA markup, plus links markup inserted by a Westlaw Solutions product (e.g., West BriefTools):
  - Click **Remove CiteAdvisor TOA Markup** to remove TOA markup inserted by this Westlaw Solutions product.
  - Click **Remove All TOA Markup** to remove all TOA markup in the word processor's language. (This includes Westlaw Solutions TOA markup, but may not include other third-party markup.)
  - Click Remove all West Links to remove links markup inserted by a Westlaw Solutions product.

TOA & Cite Formatt	ing
To remove existing Table of Autho in your document	rities markup
Remove CiteAdvisor TOA Markup	
Remove All TOA Markup	
Remove All West Links	

Figure 2-4. Markup removal options

- 3. Your current option set is listed under Set Options. To change your options, click **Change current options**. For more information, see "Setting TOA & Cite Formatting Options" on page 5.
- 4. During processing, changes will be made to your document. To save your document before proceeding, click **Save now and proceed** under Save Document. Or, click **Proceed without saving**.
- Select the Table of Authorities Builder check box. To also check citation formats, select the Citation Format Advisor check box (for details, see "Checking Citation Formats" on page 3).
  - **Note** It is considered best practice to use the Citation Format Advisor and the Table of Authorities Builder together.

6. Click Process Request. The Inserting Your TOA page is displayed in the left frame (Figure 2-5).

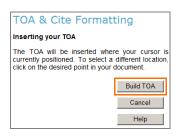


Figure 2-5. Inserting Your TOA page

7. Click in your document where you want the tables of authorities to be inserted.

### 8. Click Build TOA.

The table of authorities is inserted in your document at your cursor location, and the sign-on page is displayed in the left frame. The table of authorities includes the following headings as needed: Cases, Federal Cases, State Cases, Statutes, Federal Statutes, State Statutes, Rules, Federal Rules, State Rules, Regulations, Federal Regulations, State Regulations, and Other Authorities.

Note Billing starts after you click Build TOA.

To edit the table of authorities in Word, select it in the document, then press CTRL+SHIFT+F9.

## **Setting TOA & Cite Formatting Options**

## WORKING WITH OPTION SETS

## Creating a New Option Set

1. To create a new option set, e.g., Bankruptcy Court, click **Change current options** at the TOA & Cite Formatting home page. The Options Entry dialog box is displayed (Figure 2-6).

CiteAdvisor Options Webpage Dialog	X
West CiteAdvisor Options Entry	
To Edit or Delete your options, select the desired entry name. Click Create to add a new option.	
Create Edit Delete	
Default Bankruptcy Court	
Select Cancel Help	

Figure 2-6. Options Entry dialog box

2. Click Create. The Options Details dialog box is displayed (Figure 2-7).

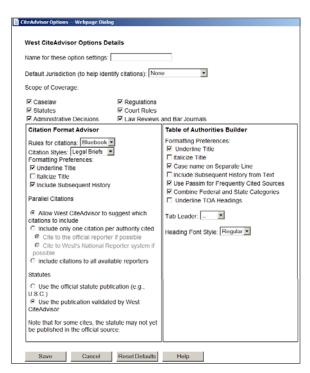


Figure 2-7. Options Details dialog box

- 3. In the Name text box, type a name for the option settings, e.g., Bankruptcy Court.
- From the Default Jurisdiction list, select a default jurisdiction to help identify citations. A default jurisdiction is used to identify citations that are missing jurisdictional information or that contain publications valid in multiple jurisdictions.
- 5. Select the check box next to each type of coverage you want, e.g., Caselaw, Statutes, Administrative Decisions, Regulations, Court Rules, and Law Reviews and Bar Journals.
- Set the options under Citation Format Advisor and Table of Authorities Builder. For more information, see the "Citation Format Advisor Options" and "Table of Authorities Builder Options" subsections below.
- 7. Click Save.

### Editing an Option Set

To edit an option set, complete these steps:

- 1. In the Options Entry dialog box (Figure 2-6), click the option set in the list and then click **Edit**. The Options Details page is displayed.
- 2. Make your changes and then click Save.

## Deleting an Option Set

To delete an option set, click it in the list and then click Delete.

## **CITATION FORMAT ADVISOR OPTIONS**

Figure 2-8 shows the available options for the Citation Format Advisor on the Options Details page.

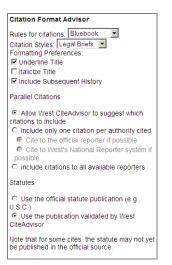


Figure 2-8. Citation Format Advisor options

- 1. Select the desired citation rules from the Rules for citations list, e.g., Bluebook.
- 2. Select the desired citation style from the Citation Styles list: Legal Briefs or Law Reviews.
- 3. Under Formatting Preferences, select one or more of the following options: **Underline Title**, **Italicize Title**, and **Include Subsequent History**.
- 4. Under Parallel Citations, click one of the following:
  - Allow TOA & Cite Formatting to suggest which citations to include.
  - Include only one citation per authority cited and then click either Cite to the official reporter if possible or Cite to West's National Reporter system if possible.
  - Include citations to all available reporters.
- 5. Under Statutes, click one of the following:
  - · Use the official statute publication
  - · Use the publication valided by West CiteAdvisor
- 6. Click Save.

### TABLE OF AUTHORITIES BUILDER OPTIONS

Figure 2-9 shows the available options for the Table of Authorities Builder on the Options Details page.

Table of Authorities Builder
Formatting Preferences:
Underline Title
Ltalicize Title
Case name on Separate Line
Include Subsequent History from Text
Use Passim for Frequently Cited Sources
Combine Federal and State Categories
Underline TOA Headings
Tab Leader:
Heading Font Style: Regular 💌

Figure 2-9. Table of Authorities Builder options

- 1. Under Formatting Preferences, select one or more of the following:
  - Underline Title to underline the title in the table of authorities.
  - Italicize Title to italicize the title in the table of authorities.
  - Case Name on Separate Line to print each case name on a separate line.
  - Include Subsequent History from Text to include history in citations in the table of authorities.
  - Use Passim for Frequently Cited Sources to use passim rather than citing specific pages.
  - Combine Federal and State Categories to combine federal and state citations in each table of authorities category. (For example, if this option is selected, federal and state cases will be listed together under Cases. If this option is not selected, federal cases will be listed first under Federal Cases, and state cases will be listed next under State Cases.)
  - Underline TOA Headings to underline the headings in the table of authorities.
- 2. From the Tab Leader list, select the desired tab leader.
- 3. From the Heading Font Style list, select the desired font style for headings: Regular, Italic, or Bold.
- 4. Click Save.

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