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PAYNE GROUP RELEASES NUMBERING ASSISTANT 7.0

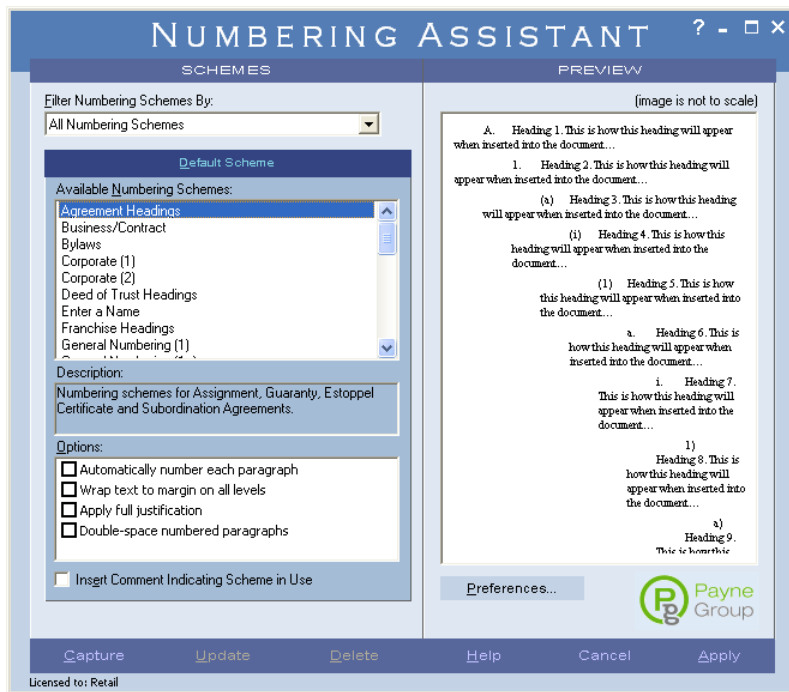
SEATTLE—Payne Consulting Group has announced an upgrade of their best-selling Numbering Assistant software. Numbering Assistant 7.0 is an add-in to Microsoft Word designed to simplify complex paragraph numbering in legal documents and reduce the amount of training time required to get up and running.

Numbering Assistant 7.0 has been redesigned with a new, sleek user interface that allows for up to four numbering schemes in the same document and includes a table of contents generator that makes it easy to select and apply a wide range of TOC formatting and placement options anywhere in the document. Numbering Assistant 7.0 captures existing document numbering, provides the ability to share stored schemes with others, includes a toolbar that makes applying and modifying numbering easy, and contains extensive built-in help files to aid in the process of using the product. Numbering Assistant is fully compatible with Word 2000 and higher and has been optimized to work seamlessly with Word 2002 and Word 2003.

The Numbering Assistant Insert TOC feature provides users with the ability to save their most commonly used Table of Contents formats from the active document and re-use them in other documents. This feature works similar to capturing a Numbering scheme only instead; it captures TOC 1-9 styles of the active document. This feature saves the step of having to re-format the TOC once it has been inserted into the document.

Numbering Assistant 7.0 continues to offer users the same high level of functionality available in prior versions with the added ability to apply multiple numbering schemes in the same document and choose from a wide array of TOC placement and formatting options, including the ability to choose specific heading levels from multiple schemes for inclusion in the TOC. Numbering Assistant 7.0 uses 100% native Word functionality and provides users with the ability to share documents outside of the firm which makes it one of the most popular and powerful utilities on the market.

Legal, corporate legal and government users around the world have come to rely on the superior performance offered by the Numbering Assistant to easily create and apply firm-defined and custom paragraph numbering schemes to legal documents.



About Payne Consulting Group

Payne Consulting Group is a software training and development company headquartered in Seattle, WA. Payne has authored twelve books on Microsoft products including: *Word 2003*, *Word 2002*, *Word 2000*, and *Word 97 for Law Firms*, and *Excel for Law Firms*. The company specializes in developing "Assistants" software including Metadata Assistant, Numbering, Style, Forms and Pleading Assistants. Payne also offers high-end and end-user training, coursework, project management, and custom development. Payne is an original member of the Microsoft Legal Advisory Council, the American Bar Association, and the American Society of Journalists and Authors.

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