

## Comparison of Selected ALWD 2d Edition Rules and Bluebook 18th Edition Rules

RULE	ALWD CITATION	BLUEBOOK CITATION	DIFFERENCES
<p>Typeface</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 1</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B13 &amp; Rule 2.0</p>	<p>Ordinary type and <i>italics</i> (or <u>underlining</u>).</p> <p>No distinctions based on type of document (law review v. court document) or placement of citation within the paper.</p>	<p>Ordinary type, <i>italics</i> (or <u>underlining</u>), and small caps.</p> <p>Different fonts required depending on type of document and where source is cited within the paper.</p>	<p>ALWD has one set of conventions, not two.</p> <p>ALWD eliminates small caps as a typeface.</p>
<p>Abbreviations and Spacing</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 2</p> <p><b>BB:</b> BT1</p>	<p>F. Supp. F.3d</p> <p>Corp. Govt. Intl. Petr.</p>	<p>F. Supp. F.3d</p> <p>Corp. Gov't Int'l Pet'r</p>	<p>No substantial differences on spacing.</p> <p>ALWD abbreviations end with periods; some <i>Bluebook</i> abbreviations include apostrophes</p>
<p>Capitalization</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 3</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B10.6 &amp; Rule 8</p>	<p><i>Federal Civil Procedure before Trial</i></p>	<p><i>Federal Civil Procedure Before Trial</i></p>	<p>ALWD eliminates the “and prepositions of four or fewer letters” part of the <i>Bluebook</i>, which brings legal citation closer to non-legal style.</p>
<p>Numbers</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 4</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 6.2</p>	<p>Use words for zero through ninety-nine in all text and notes.</p> <p>1st, 2d, 3d, 4th</p>	<p>Use words for zero through ninety-nine in all text and notes.</p> <p>1st, 2d, 3d, 4th</p>	<p>No substantial differences.</p>
<p>Page spans</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 5</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 3.2(a)</p>	<p>125–126 <b>or</b> 125–26</p>	<p>125–26</p>	<p>ALWD gives a choice on how to present a page span; you may retain all digits or drop repetitive digits and retain two digits on the right-hand side of the span, as in <i>Bluebook</i> 3.2(a).</p>
<p>Footnotes and endnotes</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 7</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 3.2(b)</p>	<p>n. 7 nn. 12–13</p>	<p>n.7 nn.12–13</p>	<p>ALWD requires a space after n. or nn. abbreviation.</p>

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<p><i>Supra</i> and <i>infra</i></p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 10</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 3.5</p>	<p><i>Supra</i> n. 45.</p>	<p><i>Supra</i> note 45.</p>	<p>Under ALWD, abbreviate note as “n.” and place a space after the period.</p>
<p><i>Id.</i></p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 11.3</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B5.2, Rules 4.1 &amp; 10.9</p>	<p><i>Id.</i> at 500.</p>	<p><i>Id.</i> at 500.</p>	<p>Basically similar rules. ALWD eliminates the “5 <i>id.</i> in a row” rule found in Bluebook Rule 10.9.</p> <p>In the ALWD Manual, <i>Id.</i> cannot be used with Practitioner and Court documents. Rule 29.6.</p>
<p>Cases</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 12</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B5 &amp; Rule 10</p>	<p><i>Brown v. Bd. of Educ.</i>, 349 U.S. 294, 297 (1955).</p> <p><i>MBNA Am. Bank, N.A. v. Cardoso</i>, 707 N.E.2d 189 (Ill. App. 1st Dist. 1998).</p> <p>[required inclusion of district court information]</p>	<p><i>Brown v. Bd. of Educ.</i>, 349 U.S. 294, 297 (1955).</p> <p><i>MBNA Am. Bank, N.A. v. Cardoso</i>, 707 N.E.2d 189 (Ill. App. Ct. 1st Dist. 1998).</p> <p>[permissive inclusion of district information]</p>	<p>Case names are always italicized.</p> <p>Under ALWD, you do not have to abbreviate words in case names. For those who want to abbreviate, Appendix 3 provides a longer list of words that are abbreviated.</p> <p>ALWD requires division and district information for state appellate courts, and eliminates “Ct.” from most court abbreviations.</p> <p>For cases cited from Westlaw or Lexis, ALWD does not require the docket number of the case. ALWD also requires two asterisks to identify multiple pages of a pinpoint cite.</p>
<p>Constitutions</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 13</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B7 &amp; Rule 11</p>	<p>U.S. Const. amend. V.</p>	<p>U.S. Const. amend. V.</p>	<p>No substantial differences.</p>

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Statutes  <b>ALWD:</b> Rule 14  <b>BB:</b> B6 & Rule 12	18 U.S.C. § 1965 (2000).	18 U.S.C. § 1965 (2000).	No substantial differences.  When the title of the Act is included, the title is italicized under the ALWD rules.
Legislative Materials  <b>ALWD:</b> Rules 15 & 16  <b>BB:</b> B6.1.6 & Rule 13	Sen. Res. 146, 109th Cong. (2005).	S. Res. 146, 109th Cong. (2005).	ALWD abbreviates Senate as "Sen." instead of "S." to avoid confusion with other abbreviations.  Most forms are relatively consistent.
Court Rules  <b>ALWD:</b> Rules 19 & 20  <b>BB:</b> B6.1.3 & Rule 12.8	Fed. R. Civ. P. 11.	Fed. R. Civ. P. 11.	No substantial differences.
Administrative Materials  <b>ALWD:</b> Rules 19 and 20  <b>BB:</b> B6.1.4 & Rule 14.2	34 C.F.R. § 607.1 (2004).  69 Fed. Reg. 11276 (Mar. 9, 2004).	34 C.F.R. § 607.1 (2004).  69 Fed. Reg. 11276 (Mar. 9, 2004).	C.F.R. citation is the same.  Both require an exact date for Fed. Reg. citations.

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<p>Books and Treatises</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 22</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B8.1 &amp; Rule 15</p>	<p>Charles Alan Wright, Arthur R. Miller &amp; Mary Kay Kane, <i>Federal Practice and Procedure</i> vol. 7A, § 1751, 10–17 (3d ed., Thomson/West 2005).</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Charles Alan Wright et al., <i>Federal Practice and Procedure</i> vol. 7A, § 1751, 10–17 (3d ed., Thomson/West 2005).</p>	<p>7A Charles Alan Wright, Arthur R. Miller &amp; Mary Kay Kane, <i>Federal Practice and Procedure</i> § 1751, at 10–17 (3d ed. 2005).</p> <p>OR</p> <p>7A Charles Alan Wright et al., <i>Federal Practice and Procedure</i> § 1751, at 10–17 (3d ed. 2005).</p>	<p>ALWD places volume information after the title, just like any other subdivisions.</p> <p>ALWD separates subdivisions separated with a comma, but no “at.”</p> <p>ALWD requires that the publisher be included, no matter what type of document.</p> <p>ALWD uses et al. for three authors or more, compared with the <i>Bluebook</i> which uses et al. for two authors or more.</p>
<p>Legal Periodicals</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 23</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B9, T13, &amp; Rule 16</p>	<p>Geoffrey P. Miller, <i>Bad Judges</i>, 83 Tex. L. Rev. 431 (2004).</p> <p>Margaret Graham Tebo, <i>Duty Calls</i>, 91 ABA J. 35 (Apr. 2005).</p> <p>Carrie Ann Wozniak, Student Author, <i>Difficult Problems Call for New Solutions: Are Guardians Proper for Viable Fetuses of Mentally Incompetent Mothers in State Custody?</i> 34 Stetson L. Rev. 193 (2004).</p> <p>Jodi Wilgoren, <i>Prosecution Lays out Case for Harsh Sentencing of B.T.K. Killer in Gory Detail</i>, 154 N.Y. Times A14 (Aug. 18, 2005).</p>	<p>Geoffrey P. Miller, <i>Bad Judges</i>, 83 Tex. L. Rev. 431 (2004).</p> <p>Margaret Graham Tebo, <i>Duty Calls</i>, A.B.A. J., Apr. 2005, at 35.</p> <p>Carrie Ann Wozniak, Comment, <i>Difficult Problems Call for New Solutions: Are Guardians Proper for Viable Fetuses of Mentally Incompetent Mothers in State Custody?</i> 34 Stetson L. Rev. 193 (2004).</p> <p>Jodi Wilgoren, <i>Prosecution Lays out Case for Harsh Sentencing of B.T.K. Killer in Gory Detail</i>, N.Y. Times, Aug. 18, 2005, at A14.</p>	<p>ALWD eliminates most distinctions between consecutively and non-consecutively paginated articles. Include longer date for non-consecutively paginated journals, but do so within the parenthetical.</p> <p>ALWD uses the term “Student Author” to replace Note, Comment, Recent Development, etc.</p>

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<p>A.L.R. Annotations</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 24</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 16.6.6</p>	<p>Carolyn Kelly MacWilliam, <i>Individual and Corporate Liability for Libel and Slander in Electronic Communications, Including E-mail, Internet and Websites</i>, 3 A.L.R.6th 153 (2005).</p>	<p>Carolyn Kelly MacWilliam, Annotation, <i>Individual and Corporate Liability for Libel and Slander in Electronic Communications, Including E-mail, Internet and Websites</i>, 3 A.L.R.6th 153 (2005).</p>	<p>ALWD eliminates the “Annotation” reference.</p>
<p>Legal Dictionaries</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 25</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 15.8</p>	<p><i>Black’s Law Dictionary</i> 87 (Bryan A. Garner ed., 8th ed., West 2004).</p>	<p><i>Black’s Law Dictionary</i> 87 (8th ed. 2004).</p>	<p>ALWD treats dictionaries like books.</p>
<p>Legal Encyclopedias</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 26</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 15.8</p>	<p>98 C.J.S. <i>Witnesses</i> § 397 (2002).</p> <p>68 Am. Jur. 2d <i>Schools</i> §§ 20–24 (2000 &amp; Supp. 2005).</p>	<p>98 C.J.S. <i>Witnesses</i> § 397 (2002).</p> <p>68 Am. Jur. 2d <i>Schools</i> §§ 20–24 (2000 &amp; Supp. 2005).</p>	<p>No substantial differences; however, ALWD provides expanded coverage and includes a list of many abbreviations for state encyclopedias.</p>
<p>Internet</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 40</p> <p><b>BB:</b> Rule 18.2.3</p>	<p>Federal Judicial Center, <i>History of the Federal Judiciary</i>, <a href="http://www.fjc.gov/history/home.nsf">http://www.fjc.gov/history/home.nsf</a> (accessed Aug. 18, 2005).</p>	<p>Federal Judicial Center, <i>History of the Federal Judiciary</i> (visited Aug. 18, 2005), at <a href="http://www.fjc.gov/history/home.nsf">http://www.fjc.gov/history/home.nsf</a>.</p>	<p>ALWD uses “accessed” instead of “visited” to be consistent with non-legal citation guides.</p> <p>The Bluebook contains different formats for material that appears only on the Web and for material that appears on the Web and in other medium. The position of the date parenthetical moves depending on the type of information cited.</p>

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<p>Order of Cited Authority</p> <p><b>ALWD:</b> Rule 45</p> <p><b>BB:</b> B4.5 &amp; Rule 1.4</p>	<p>ALWD lists federal and state court cases first by jurisdiction, then in reverse chronological order.</p>	<p>Federal (appellate and trial) court cases are ordered in reverse chronological order.</p> <p>State court cases are first, alphabetized by state, and then ranked within each state.</p>	<p>Minor differences in the order when looking at the list of specific sources:</p> <p>(1) Under ALWD, statutes (federal and state) come before rules of evidence and procedure, whereas in the <i>Bluebook</i>, federal statutes <u>and</u> rules of evidence and procedure come before state statutes and rules of evidence and procedure.</p> <p>(2) Under the ALWD, the student-authored articles are classified with all other material in law reviews, law journals, and other periodicals, whereas in the <i>Bluebook</i>, the student-authored articles are separate, and after the non-student authored articles.</p>

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Quotations  <b>ALWD:</b> Rule 47  <b>BB:</b> B12 & Rule 5	ALWD says to block indent passages if they contain at least fifty words OR if they exceed four lines of typed text.	The <i>Bluebook</i> says to block indent passages if they contain at least 50 words.	ALWD does not require you to count the exact number of words in long quotations.