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BACKGROUND: In 2006, an automated Minaret-based classification proposal system replaced the former manual worksheet-based system. This instruction sheet provides guidelines for using the automated system to propose a new classification number, to propose a new reference, or to modify an existing number. It also includes, as an Appendix, examples of the most common types of classification proposals, together with step-by-step instructions for creating them. For unusually complicated situations, catalogers should consult with the Policy and Standards Division for assistance in preparing a proposal.

1. Accessing the system.

   Go to URL: http://lcconline.info/Menu/proposal.html
   Click on Create, Edit and Browse Classification Proposals
   Login with Minaret username and password.

2. Proposing a new number.

   a. Creating a proposal. In the browse field, enter any class number that is in the area where the new number is to be proposed and press Enter.

      Choose any existing number that is similar in form to the new one, preferably one that is in the same hierarchy and at the same indentation, click the white icon at the end of the caption and select Propose a new class number here from the pop-up menu. For example, to propose a new Cutter number in an existing list of Cutters, choose any of the existing Cutters in the list, click the white icon and select Propose a new class letter here. An "EZ" input screen is displayed.

      In the Proposal generated by field, select the appropriate radio button, as follows:

      Book. Select this button if any non-Priority-1 bibliographic item is being submitted with the proposal, such as a book, serial, music score, etc.

      No book. Select this button if no bibliographic item is being submitted with the proposal. For example, if the proposal is being made in order to correct an error in the schedule or in response to correspondence, select No book.

      Note: If the item that has generated the proposal is printed music, select No Book and do not submit the item with the proposal.
2. Proposing a new number.

   a. Creating a proposal.  *(Continued)*

   **CIP.** Select this button if the proposal is being made in connection with the cataloging of a CIP or any other Priority 1 material, except a rare book.

   **Rare Book.** Select this button if the proposal is being made in connection with the cataloging of a rare book.

   **Coop.** Select this button if the proposal originated with a library outside of LC that is a participant in the SACO program.

Editable fields on the EZ input screen (* = required field):

* **Proposed Class #.** This field initially contains the existing number that was chosen as the basis for the new proposal. Change this number to the new number proposed. Indicate whether this is a single number, displayed span, or suppressed span, by selecting the appropriate radio button.

   **Hierarchy.** If the number that was chosen as the basis for the new proposal has the same hierarchy as the newly proposed number, the field need not be edited at all.

* **Caption.** The field initially contains the existing caption that was chosen as the basis for the new proposal. Replace this caption with the new caption being proposed.

**TABLE.** If the proposal is for a span of numbers that is subarranged by a table, enter the applicable table number in the **TABLE** field.

**Note.** Enter the text of a "Class here" or "Including" note, if any, in this field.
2. Proposing a new number.

a. Creating a proposal.  (Continued)

Editable fields on the EZ input screen ( * = required field ):  (Continued)

* Work cat.  Provide a citation of the work that is generating the proposal in this field.  Use the same citation style that is used for subject heading proposals (see H 200, sec. 9.a.).

Cataloger's comments. Enter comments about the proposal, if any, in this field.

Pattern.  Enter in this field an existing number or span of numbers that is being used to justify the new proposal.  If no pattern is being cited, leave the field blank.  Cite as patterns only developments that are identical or similar to the new proposal in (1) terminology of the caption(s) and (2) location of the caption(s) in relation to surrounding lines.  For developments in classes D, H, Q, and R that follow the models for those schedules (see F 195), enter D model [H model, etc.]

Better.  Determine from a Voyager shelflist search and enter into this field the approximate number of existing entries that would be better classified in the newly proposed number or numbers.  This is for the benefit of the editorial meeting in judging the impact on the shelflist of the new proposal.  The existing records are normally not reclassified.  If there are no betters, leave it blank.

Email address.  Entering an email address into this field causes a system-generated email message to be sent when the proposal is scheduled for a tentative list and when it has been approved, rejected, or approved with modifications by the editorial meeting.  A full email address must be provided, such as myname@loc.gov.  Leave the field blank to avoid receiving these messages.

Any of the above fields that is not marked with an asterisk may be left blank if it is not applicable to the proposal.
2. Proposing a new number. (Continued)

b. Saving and viewing the proposal. When the form is completed, click Save. A screen appears confirming that the proposal has been saved. Click Close.

Click the Minaret Refresh button at the top of the classification browse page. (Do NOT use the browser's Refresh button for this purpose.)

The newly proposed number and caption appear in green lettering in the browse display. This display enables the cataloger to confirm whether the proposed number and caption are in the correct location and at the correct indentation. If there are any errors, edit the proposal by clicking on the white icon and selecting Modify or delete this proposal from the pop-up menu. The EZ input screen is displayed. Make the necessary changes and save the proposal again. Use the Minaret Refresh button to see the changed proposal displayed in context on the browse screen.

c. Deleting a proposal. A proposal may be deleted by clicking on the white icon at the end of the caption and selecting Modify or delete the proposal from the pop-up menu. The EZ input screen will appear. Click on Delete at the top of the form. A screen appears confirming that the proposal has been deleted. Click OK. Use the Refresh button to and the proposal will have disappeared.

The system allows a cataloger to delete only his or her own proposals, not those that were created by another contributor. A proposal can be deleted only until PSD assigns the proposal to a tentative list. An existing approved number cannot be deleted, nor can any proposed number that has already been assigned to a tentative list.

d. Proposals for two or more consecutive numbers and captions. If a proposal consists of a group of consecutive numbers and captions, a separate proposal must be created for each line. This is done by repeating all of the steps in this process for each new line.

Once the first proposal has been created and is displayed in green, it can be used as the basis for creating the next proposal by clicking the white icon beside it and selecting Propose a new class number here. For detailed instructions on creating multiple-line proposals, see Example 3 in the Appendix to this instruction sheet.
3. **Proposing a new see reference or confer note.** There are two different methods for creating a see reference or a Cf. note. The first method, which is often more straightforward, is described in sect. 3.a below. The second method, which is less straightforward but more technically correct, is described in section 3.b below. Either method is acceptable, except when a proposal is being made to parenthesize (cancel) an existing number. In that case, always use the first method.

### a. Creating a proposal (Method 1).

*Note: When creating a see reference or Cf. note to a new number that is being proposed at the same time, be sure to create the proposed number BEFORE attempting to create the see reference or Cf. note. If a user attempts to create a reference or Cf. note to a number that does not yet exist, the system returns an error message.*

In the browse field enter the class number where the reference is to be added, and press **Enter**. Locate the class number in the browse display, click on the **white icon** and select **Propose a reference here** from the pop-up menu. An "EZ" input screen is displayed. Indicate whether the proposal is for a "see" reference, a "Cf." note, or a "For ... see ..." note by selecting the appropriate radio button.

**See reference.** A "see" reference appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

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Cats see SF441  [if the reference is to a single number]
Cats see SF441+  [if the reference is to a span of numbers]
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To create this type of reference, select the first radio button on the EZ form. In the **Caption** field, type **Cats**; in the **see Target #** field, type **SF441** (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g. **SF441-SF450**).
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3. Proposing a new see reference or confer note.

a. Creating a proposal (Method 1).  (Continued)

Cf. note. A "Cf." note appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

Cf. SF441 Cats  [if the reference is to a single number]
Cf. SF441+ Cats  [if the reference is to a span of numbers]

To create this type of reference, select the second radio button on the EZ form. In the Cf. Target # field, type SF441 (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g. SF441-SF450); in the Topic field, type Cats.

"For ... see ..." reference. A "For ... see ..." reference appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

For cats see SF441  [if the reference is to a single number]
For cats see SF441+  [if the reference is to a span of numbers]

To create this type of reference, select the third radio button on the EZ form. In the For Topic field, type cats (lowercase the term you type in this field); in the see Target # field, type SF441 (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g. SF441-SF450).

Work cat. Provide a citation of the work that is generating the proposal in this field. Use the same citation style that is used for subject heading proposals (see H 200, sec. 9.a.).
3. Proposing a new see reference or confer note.

   a. Creating a proposal (Method 1).  (Continued)

   Cataloger's comments. Enter comments about the proposal, if any, in this field.

   Email address. Entering an email address in this field causes a system-generated email message to be sent when the proposal is scheduled for a weekly list and when it has been approved, rejected, or approved with modifications by the editorial meeting. A full email address must be provided, such as myname@loc.gov. Leave the field blank to avoid receiving these messages.

   b. Creating a proposal (Method 2). Section 3.b(1) below describes the procedure for making a proposal for a reference when a proposal for a new number is not also being proposed. Section 3.b(2) below describes the procedure when a new number is also being proposed.

      (1) Creating a reference to an existing number using Method 2. In the browse field enter the class number to which the reference will refer, and press Enter. Locate the class number in the browse display, click on the white icon, and select Propose a change to this record (or Modify or delete this proposal if the class number is also being proposed) from the pop-up menu. An "EZ" input screen is displayed. Indicate whether the proposal is for a "see" reference, a "Cf." note, or a "For ... see ..." note by selecting the appropriate radio button.

      See reference. A "see" reference appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

      Robb, J. D., 1950- see PS3568.O243

      To create this type of reference, select the first radio button on the EZ form. In the Caption field, type Robb, J. D., 1950-; in the see Target # field, type the location where the reference should appear, PS3568.O222 (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span).
3. Proposing a new see reference or confer note.

b. Creating a proposal (Method 2).

(1) Creating a reference to an existing number using Method 2. (Continued)

Cf. note. A "Cf." note appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

Cf. QK86.5 Applied ethnobotany [if the reference is to a single number]
Cf. QK86.5+ Applied ethnobotany [if the reference is to a span of numbers]

To create this type of reference, select the radio button marked Cf. note on the EZ form. In the Cf. Target # field, type the number under which the Cf. note should appear. For example, type GN476.73 if the reference should appear there (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g., GN476.73-GN467.732); in the Topic field, type Applied ethnobotany.

"For ... see ..." reference. A "For ... see ..." reference appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

For applied ethnobotany see QK86.5
[if the reference is to a single number]
For applied ethnobotany see QK86.5+
[if the reference is to a span of numbers]

To create this type of reference, select the radio button labeled For ... see..., on the EZ form. In the field, type applied ethnobotany (lowercase the term you type in this field); in the For ... see... (class #) field, type QK86.5 (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g., QK86.5-QK86.52).
3. Proposing a new see reference or confer note.

b. Creating a proposal (Method 2).

(1) Creating a reference to an existing number using Method 2.  (Continued)

Work cat.  Provide a citation of the work that is generating the proposal in this field.  Use the same citation style that is used for subject heading proposals (see H 200, sec. 9.a.).

Cataloger's comments.  Enter comments about the proposal, if any, in this field.

Email address.  Entering an email address in this field causes a system-generated email message to be sent when the proposal is scheduled for a weekly list and when it has been approved, rejected, or approved with modifications by the editorial meeting.  A full email address must be provided, such as myname@loc.gov.  Leave the field blank to avoid receiving these messages.

When the form is completed, click Save.  A screen appears confirming that the proposal has been saved.  Click Close.

Click the Minaret Refresh button at the top of the classification browse page (Do NOT use the browser's Refresh button for this purpose.)

The newly proposed reference or note appears in brown lettering in the browse display.  This display enables the cataloger to confirm whether the proposed reference is in the correct location and is correct in all other respects.  If there are any errors, do not attempt to modify the proposal.  Instead, delete it, as instructed in sec. 3.c., below, and create a new reference.
3. Proposing a new see reference or confer note.

   b. Creating a proposal (Method 2).  (Continued)

   (2) Creating a proposal for both a new number and a reference using Method 2.

   Note: If creating a see reference or Cf. note to a new number that is being proposed at the same time, make the proposal for the new number first, following the instructions in sec. 2 above. The proposal for the reference will be added to the EZ form for the proposal.

Click on the white icon next to the green caption and select Modify or delete this proposal from the pop-up menu. The "EZ" input screen for the proposal is displayed. Indicate whether the proposal is for a "see" reference, a "Cf." note, or a "For ... see ..." note by selecting the appropriate radio button.

See reference. A "see" reference appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

Cats see SF441 [if the reference is to a single number]
Cats see SF441+ [if the reference is to a span of numbers]

To create this type of reference, select the first radio button on the EZ form. In the See ref. (class #) field, type SF441 ((or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g. SF441-SF450). In the Caption field, type Cats.
3. Proposing a new see reference or confer note.

b. Creating a proposal (Method 2).

(2) Creating a proposal for both a new number and a reference using Method 2. (Continued)

Cf. note. A "Cf." note appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

Cf. SF441 Cats  [if the reference is to a single number]
Cf. SF441+ Cats  [if the reference is to a span of numbers]

To create this type of reference, select the third radio button on the EZ form. In the Cf. note (class #) field, type SF441 (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g., SF441-SF450); in the Topic field, type Cats.

"For ... see ..." reference. A "For ... see ..." reference appears in Class Web and the printed classification schedules as follows:

For cats see SF441  [if the reference is to a single number]
For cats see SF441+  [if the reference is to a span of numbers]

To create this type of reference, select the second radio button labeled For For ... see ... on the EZ form. In the For ... see ... (class #) field, type SF441 (or, if the reference is to a span of numbers, type the complete beginning number and the complete ending number of the span, e.g., SF441-SF450). In the Topic field, type cats (lowercase the term you type in this field).

Cataloger's comments. Enter comments about the proposal, if any, in this field.
3. Proposing a new see reference or confer note.

b. Creating a proposal (Method 2).

(2) Creating a proposal for both a new number and a reference using Method 2 (Continued)

Email address. Entering an email address in this field causes a system-generated email message to be sent when the proposal is scheduled for a weekly list and when it has been approved, rejected, or approved with modifications by the editorial meeting. A full email address must be provided, such as myname@loc.gov. Leave the field blank to avoid receiving these messages.

When the form is completed, click Save. A screen appears confirming that the proposal has been saved. Click Close.

In the browse field enter the class number to which the reference will refer, and press Enter. Locate the class number in the browse display. The newly proposed reference or note appears in green lettering in the browse display. This display enables the cataloger to confirm whether the proposed reference is in the correct location. Do not attempt to correct the indentation if it is incorrect. Staff in PSD will correct it.

c. Deleting a proposal.

A proposal can be deleted by clicking on the white icon and selecting Modify or delete this proposal from the pop-up menu. The EZ form will display. Click the Delete button. A screen confirming the deletion will appear; click OK. Click the Refresh button, and the proposal has disappeared.

The system allows a cataloger to delete only his or her own proposals, not those that were created by another cataloger. A proposal can be deleted only until PSD assigns the proposal to a tentative list. An existing approved number cannot be deleted, nor can any proposed number that has already been assigned to a tentative list.
4. Proposing a modification to an existing class number.

   a. Creating a proposal. In the browse field, enter the class number to be modified, and press Enter. Click on the white icon at the end of the caption and select Propose a change to this record from the pop-up menu. An "EZ" input screen is displayed.

   In the Proposal generated by field, select the appropriate radio button. See sec. 2.a, above, for an explanation of the choices.

   Editable fields on the EZ input screen:

   Proposed Class #. To modify the classification number or span, edit this field. Indicate whether the edited field is a single number, displayed span, or suppressed span, by selecting the appropriate radio button.1

   Hierarchy. To change the indentation of a caption, edit this field.2

   Caption. To modify the wording of a caption, edit this field.

   TABLE. To add or change a table reference, edit this field.

   Note. To add a "Class here" or "Including" note, or modify an existing note, edit this field.

   Work cat. Provide a citation of the work that is generating the proposal in this field. Use the same citation style that is used for subject heading proposals (see H 200, sec. 9.a.).

   Cataloger's comments. Enter comments about the proposal, if any, in this field.

   Pattern. Enter in this field an existing number or span of numbers that is being used to justify the new proposal. If no pattern is being cited, leave the field blank. Cite as patterns only developments that are identical or similar to the new proposal in (1) terminology of the caption(s) and (2) location of the caption(s) in relation to surrounding lines. For developments in classes D, H, Q, and R that follow the models for those schedules (see F 195), enter D model [H model, etc.].
4. Proposing a modification to an existing class number.  (Continued)

**Better.** Determine from a Voyager shelflist search and enter in this field the approximate number of existing entries that would be better classified in the newly proposed number or numbers. This is for the benefit of the editorial meeting in judging the impact on the shelflist of the new proposal. The existing records are normally not reclassified. If there are no betters, leave it blank.

**Email address.** Entering an email address in this field causes a system-generated email message to be sent when the proposal is scheduled for a weekly list and when it has been approved, rejected, or approved with modifications by the editorial meeting. A full email address must be provided, such as myname@loc.gov. Leave the field blank to avoid receiving these messages.

Any of the above fields may be left blank if they are not applicable to the proposal.

**b. Saving and viewing the proposal.** When the form is completed, click Save. A screen appears confirming that the proposal has been saved. Click Cancel.

Click the Minaret Refresh button at the top of the classification browse page. (Do not use the browser's Refresh button for this purpose.)

The proposed modification appears in brown lettering in the browse display, immediately below the existing number, which continues to be displayed in black. This display enables the cataloger to confirm whether the modification is as intended. If there are any errors, edit the proposal by clicking the white icon at the end of the caption and selecting Modify or delete this proposal from the pop-up menu. The EZ input screen is displayed. Make the necessary changes and save the proposal again. Use the Refresh button to see the changed proposal displayed in context on the browse screen.
4. Proposing a modification to an existing class number. (Continued)

c. Deleting a proposal. A proposal can be deleted by clicking the white icon next to
the caption and selecting Modify or delete this proposal from the pop-up menu. The EZ
input screen will appear; click Delete at the top of the form. After the screen is refreshed,
the proposal has disappeared.

The system allows a cataloger to delete only his or her own proposals, not those that were
created by another cataloger. A proposal can be deleted only until PSD assigns the
proposal to a tentative list. An existing approved number cannot be deleted, nor can any
proposed number that has already been assigned to a tentative list.

d. Modifying multiple numbers and captions. When proposing a change that affects
several consecutive existing numbers and captions, prepare a proposal to modify only the
first line of the group. In the Cataloger's comments field, provide an explanation of
the full scope of the proposal. For example, to add a level of hierarchy, i.e., change the
indentation, of SF441-450, prepare a proposal to modify the hierarchy of only the first line
of this group, and in the Cataloger's comments field, add an instruction such as
"Change the hierarchy of this line and all subsequent lines through SF450."

NOTES

1Spans of numbers. When entering a span of numbers on the EZ form, the COMPLETE beginning number and the COMPLETE
ending number on the form must be provided. Class Web and the print program for the classification schedules will truncate
the span to eliminate redundancy. Examples of how, and how not, to enter spans of numbers on the EZ form:

JS3931-JS3939  [not JS3931-3939; not JS3931-9]

Displayed span. This is a span that is visible on Classification Web browse screens and in the LCC printed schedules.
The most common types of displayed spans are those ending with "A-Z" and those accompanied by a reference to a
table that provides for an explicit breakdown of the span.

Suppressed span. This is a "summary number" span that serves to anchor a line within the classification, but is not
visible on Class Web browse screens or the printed schedules. It consists of the first number and the last number of
captions that fall below it in the hierarchy, i.e., captions that are indented under it. In the following example, the lines
"Cats" and "History and conditions" have suppressed spans that are not shown in Class Web or the printed schedules:
1Spans of numbers.  (Continued)

Cats
SF441     Periodicals. Societies. Serials
SF442     General works
SF442.6    History and conditions
SF442.63.A-Z By region or country, A-Z
SF449.A-Z By breed or type, A-Z
SF450     Feral cats

In this example, the suppressed number span for the line "Cats" is SF441-SF450. The suppressed number span for the line "History and conditions" is SF442.6-SF442.63. To create this type of proposal, the suppressed spans for these lines must be provided, and the "suppressed span" radio button must be selected.

2The indentation of a line can be changed by editing its hierarchy field. To move a caption one indentation to the right, for example, add one line to the hierarchy field. To move a caption one indentation to the left, delete one line from the hierarchy field. By default, the EZ form displays the lines of the field indented as a stepladder. These indentions have no technical significance, however, and are used only to make the field easier to read and interpret. When lines are added to the field, they may be indented in the same stepladder style, but it is not necessary to do so. Although the indentions are not significant and need not be uniform on the EZ form, it IS important that each level of hierarchy be placed on a separate line so that when the system converts the EZ form data to a MARC classification record, the proper number of hierarchy subfields will be created. (Minaret counts the number of hierarchy subfields in order to determine the appropriate indentation for a caption in browse displays.)
EXAMPLE #1: CREATING A NEW CUTTER NUMBER

Proposal: To create the number PQ1110.C38, with the caption Cats

Step 1: Browse to PQ1110.

Step 2: From the existing list of Cutters, click on the white icon beside PQ1110.C48. Choose Propose a new class number here. The EZ form is displayed:

Step 3: Edit the number in the Proposed class # field, changing it from PQ1110.C48 to PQ1110.C38. Check that the radio button for Single # is selected.

Step 4: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Christmas to Cats.

The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as that of the existing caption at PQ1110.C48.

Step 5: Cite the work generating the proposal in the Work cat. field.
EXAMPLE #1: CREATING A NEW CUTTER NUMBER (Continued)

Step 6: Fill in any other applicable fields.

After completing Steps 3-6, the EZ form looks like this:

![Form Screen]

Step 7: Print the screen.

Step 8: Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

Step 9: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new number and caption are displayed in green:

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PQ1110
PQ1110.A47
PQ1110.A9
PQ1110.B48
PQ1110.B53
PQ1110.B7
PQ1110.C38
PQ1110.C48
PQ1110.C55
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Special topics, A-Z

Aeronautics
Auris
Beverages
Blacks
Brittany
Cats
Christmas
Cities and towns
EXAMPLE #1: CREATING A NEW CUTTER NUMBER (Continued)

Step 10: Attach the printout of the proposal to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.

Note about printouts: It's generally a good idea to make the required printout of a proposal before saving the proposal record (see Step 7). Do so by using the browser's Print button (or File - Print...). It's also possible to make the printout after the proposal has been saved. Just click on the white icon and select Modify or delete this proposal beside the green caption to redisplay the EZ form for that caption. Make the printout and then click either Cancel (if no changes were made) or Save (if any additional changes were made).
EXAMPLE 2: CREATING A NEW SINGLE WHOLE OR DECIMAL NUMBER

Proposal: To create the number GT5889.5, with the caption Cats, aligned with the existing caption Dogs.

Step 1: Browse to GT5889.

Step 2: From the existing list of Cutters, click on the white icon beside GT5890. (This number is chosen as the basis for the proposal because the caption is at the same alignment as the proposed new caption.) Select Propose a new class number here from the pop-up menu. The EZ form is displayed:

Step 3: Edit the number in the Proposed class # field, changing it from GT5890 to GT5889.5. Check that the radio button for Single # is selected.

Step 4: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Dogs to Cats.

The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as that of the existing caption at GT5890.
Step 5: Cite the work generating the proposal in the **Work cat.** field.

Step 6: Fill in any other applicable fields.

After completing Steps 3-6, the EZ form looks like this:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

Step 7: Print the screen.

Step 8: Click **Save.** On the confirmation screen, click **Close.**

Step 9: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new number and caption are displayed in green:
Step 10: Attach the printout of the proposal to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.

Note about printouts: It’s generally a good idea to make the required printout of a proposal before saving the proposal record (see Step 7). Do so by using the browser’s Print button (or File - Print...). It’s also possible to make the printout after the proposal has been saved. Just click on the white icon and select Modify or delete this proposal beside the green caption to redisplay the EZ form for that caption. Make the printout and then click either Cancel (if no changes were made) or Save (if any additional changes were made).
Proposal: To create the following development, to be aligned with Fishes. Aquarium animals, which begins at SF456:

Hamsters
SF458.9       General works
              Hamster breeders, owners, etc.
SF458.92      General works
SF458.93.A-Z  By region or country, A-Z
SF458.94      Juvenile works
SF458.95.A-Z  Special topics, A-Z

Step 1: Browse to SF456.

Step 2: Click on the white icon beside the caption Fishes. Aquarium animals, since this caption is at the same indentation as the proposed caption, Hamsters. Select Propose a new class number here on the pop-up menu. The EZ form is displayed (see next page):
EXAMPLE #3: CREATING A NEW DEVELOPMENT WITH MULTIPLE CONSECUTIVE LINES (Continued)

Step 3: Edit the span of numbers in the Proposed class # field, changing it from SF456-SF458.83 to SF458.9-SF458.95. The span consists of the class numbers for the first caption and the last caption that are indented under Hamsters. Formulating the span correctly ensures that Class Web and the printed classification schedules will display the caption at the correct location.

Radio button for span. Check that the radio button for Suppressed span is selected, since this is a span that should not be displayed in Class Web or the printed classification schedule:

Step 4: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Fishes. Aquarium animals to Hamsters. The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as the hierarchy for Fishes. Aquarium animals.

Step 5: Cite the work generating the proposal in the Work cat. field.

Step 6: Fill in any other applicable fields.
After completing Steps 3-6, the EZ form looks like this:

**Proposed Schedules Record [SF456-SF458.83]**

**LC Classification Proposal System**

Proposed class # SF458.9-SF458.85

| Proposed class # SF458.9-SF458.85 | Single # | Displayed span | Suppressed span

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hierarchy</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Caption</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

| TABLE |

| Note ("Class here,
"Including," etc.) |

| Work cat. 2013346678: Thompson, R. Hamsters as pets, 2013. |

| Cataloger’s comments |

| Pattern (if none, leave blank) |

| Better (if none, leave blank) |

**Email address** myname@loc.gov

**Step 7:** Print the screen.

*For proposals consisting of multiple consecutive lines, a printout should be made of only the record for the first line of the proposed development. Printouts need not be made of the records for subsequent lines.*

**Step 8:** Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

**Step 9:** Browse to SF458.9. The proposed new caption is displayed in green. The span of numbers is suppressed:
Step 10: The next number to be added is SF458.9. The caption General works is to be indented under Hamsters. Click the white icon beside the green caption Hamsters. Select Propose a new class number here. The EZ form is displayed.

Step 11: Edit the Proposed class # field, changing the data from SF458.9-SF458.95 to SF458.9. Select the Single # radio button.

Step 12: Since the caption for this number, General works, is to be indented under Hamsters, Hamsters must be added as the final line in the Hierarchy field. Add the word Hamsters on a new line below the word Pets in the hierarchy field:

Step 13: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Hamsters to General works.

For proposals consisting of multiple consecutive lines, the Work cat. citation is required only in the record for the first line. The field may be left blank in subsequent records. Similarly, if email notifications are desired, the email address field should be filled in only in the first record of the group; otherwise multiple email messages will be generated, one for each proposal record in which an email address was provided.

After completing Steps 10-13, the EZ form looks like this:
Step 14: Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

Step 15: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new number and caption are displayed in green, indented under the previously created caption:

Step 16: The next line to be added is the caption **Hamster breeders owners, etc.**, with a suppressed number span. Click the **white icon** beside the green caption **General works**. Select **Propose a new class number here**. The EZ form is displayed.
EXAMPLE #3: CREATING A NEW DEVELOPMENT WITH MULTIPLE CONSECUTIVE LINES (Continued)

Step 17: Edit the **Proposed class #** field, changing the data from SF458.9 to SF458.92-SF458.93. Check that the radio button for **Suppressed span** is selected, since this is a span that should not be displayed in Class Web or the printed classification schedule. The span consists of the class numbers for the first caption and the last caption that are indented under **Hamster breeders, owners, etc.**

Step 18: Edit the caption in the **Caption** field, changing it from General works to Hamster breeders, owners, etc.

*The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as the hierarchy for General works.* (Notice how the system has reformatted the hierarchy field that was created in Step 12, moving the caption Hamsters from the left margin into its correct "stepladder" position.)

After completing Steps 16-18, the EZ form looks like this:
Step 19: Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

Step 20: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new caption is displayed in green, aligned with the previously created caption. The span of numbers is suppressed:

```
SF458.8
SF458.83 A-Z
SF458.9
SF459.A-Z
SF459.A4
SF459.A45
```

Step 21: The next line to be added is the number **SF458.92**. The caption **General works** is to be indented under **Hamster breeders, owners, etc.** Click the white icon beside the green caption **Hamster breeders, owners, etc.** Select **Propose a new class number here**. The EZ form is displayed:

```
Proposed Schedules Record [SF458.92-SF458.93]  LC Classification Proposal System

Create a proposal for a new classification number

Proposal generated by ☑ Book ☐ No Book ☑ CIP ☐ Rare Book ☐ Coop
Existing class # SF458.92-SF458.93
Proposed class # SF458.92-SF458.93  ☑ Single #  ☐ Displayed span ☐ Suppressed span

Hierarchy
animal culture
pets
Hamsters

Caption
Hamster breeders, owners, etc.
```

Step 22: Edit the **Proposed class #** field, changing the data from **SF458.92-SF458.93** to **SF458.92**. Select the **Single #** radio button.

Step 23: Since the caption for this number, **General works**, is to be indented under **Hamster breeders, owners, etc.**, **Hamster breeders, owners, etc.** must be added to the **Hierarchy** field. Add the line **Hamster breeders, owners, etc.** on a new line below the word **Hamsters** in the hierarchy field.
Step 24: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Hamster breeders, owners, etc. to General works.

After completing Steps 21-24, the EZ form looks like this:

![EZ form screenshot]

Step 25: Click Save. On the confirmation screen, click Close.

Step 26: Click the Minaret Refresh button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new caption and number are displayed in green, indented under the previously created caption:

![EZ form screenshot 2]

Step 27: The next line to be added is the number SF458.93.A-Z. The caption By region, country, etc. is to be aligned with the caption General works. Click the white icon beside the green caption General works. Select Propose a new class number here. The EZ form is displayed:
EXAMPLE #3: CREATING A NEW DEVELOPMENT WITH MULTIPLE CONSECUTIVE LINES (Continued)

Step 28: Edit the Proposed class # field, changing the data from SF458.92 to SF458.93.A-SF458.93.Z. Check that the radio button for Displayed span is selected, since this is a span that should be displayed in Class Web and the printed classification schedule.

Step 29: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from General works to By region or country, A-Z.

The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as the hierarchy for General works.

After completing Steps 27-29, the EZ form looks like this:

Step 30: Click Save. On the confirmation screen, click Close.
EXAMPLE #3: CREATING A NEW DEVELOPMENT WITH MULTIPLE CONSECUTIVE LINES (Continued)

Step 31: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new caption and number are displayed in green, aligned with the previously created previously created caption.

Notice how the system has automatically truncated the span the was input, displaying it as **SF458.93.A-Z** rather than **SF458.93.A-SF458.93.Z**.

Step 32: The next caption to be added is **Juvenile works**. Since this caption is to be at the same indentation as the **General works** caption at SF458.9, click the white **icon** beside that caption. Select **Propose a new class number here**. The EZ form is displayed.

Although another number and caption could have been chosen as the basis for the new proposal, such as **SF458.93.A-Z**, the advantage of choosing a number that is at the same indentation as the one being proposed is that there will then be no need to edit the hierarchy field on the EZ form.
EXAMPLE #3: CREATING A NEW DEVELOPMENT WITH MULTIPLE CONSECUTIVE LINES (Continued)

Step 33: Edit the Proposed class # field, changing the data from SF458.9 to SF458.94. Confirm that the radio button for Single # is selected.

Step 34: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from General works to Juvenile works.

The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as the hierarchy for General works.

After completing Steps 33-34, the EZ form looks like this:

![EZ form screenshot]

Step 35: Click Save. On the confirmation screen, click Close.

Step 36: Click the Minaret Refresh button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new caption and number are displayed in green, and at the proper alignment.
Step 37: The last caption to be added is **Special topics, A-Z**, aligned with **Juvenile works**. Click the **white icon** beside the green caption **Juvenile works**. Select **Propose a new class number here**. The EZ form is displayed:

![Proposed Schedules Record [SF458.94]](image)

Step 38: Edit the **Proposed class #** field, changing the data from **SF458.94** to **SF458.95.A-SF458.95.Z**. Select the radio button for **Displayed span**, since this is a span that should be displayed in Class Web and the printed classification schedule.

Step 39: Edit the caption in the **Caption** field, changing it from **Juvenile works** to **Special topics, A-Z**.

*The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as the hierarchy for **Juvenile works**.*
EXAMPLE #3: CREATING A NEW DEVELOPMENT WITH MULTIPLE CONSECUTIVE LINES (Continued)

After completing Steps 38-39, the EZ form looks like this:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

**Step 40:** Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

**Step 41:** Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new caption and number are displayed in green, and at the proper alignment.

**Step 42:** Attach the printout of the proposal that was made in Step 7 to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.
Some additional tips:

1. **Spans of numbers.** When entering spans of numbers, always include the FULL beginning number and the FULL ending number (including class letters in both cases). Although the system will truncate repetitive portions of spans to provide an easier-to-read display, the full numbers must be present in the underlying classification record. Examples:

   Enter:    System displays as:
   
   SF21-SF22   SF21-22

2. **Printouts.** It's generally a good idea to make the required printout of a proposal before saving the proposal record. Do so by using the browser's Print button (or File - Print...). It’s also possible to make the printout after the proposal has been saved. Just click on the white icon beside the green caption and select Modify or delete this proposal to redisplay the EZ form for that caption. Make the printout and then click either Cancel (if no changes were made) or Save (if any additional changes were made).
EXAMPLE #4: CHANGING A CAPTION

Proposal: To change the caption at PT134.F75 from Friendship to Friendship. Friends

Step 1: Browse to PT134.F75.

Step 2: Click on the white icon beside PT134.F75, and select Propose a change to this record from the pop-up menu. The EZ form is displayed:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

Step 3: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Friendship to Friendship. Friends

Step 4: Cite the work generating the proposal in the Work cat. field.

Step 5: Fill in any other applicable fields.
EXAMPLE #4: CHANGING A CAPTION (Continued)

After completing Steps 3-5, the EZ form looks like this:

Step 6: Print the screen.

Step 7: Click Save. On the confirmation screen, click Close.

Step 8: Click the Minaret Refresh button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The changed caption is displayed in brown below the existing caption:

Step 9: Attach the printout of the proposal to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.
Note about printouts: It’s generally a good idea to make the required printout of a proposal before saving the proposal record. Do so by using the browser’s Print button (or File - Print...). It’s also possible to make the printout after the proposal has been saved. Just click on the white icon beside the green caption and select Modify or delete this proposal to redisplay the EZ form for that caption. Make the printout and then click either Cancel (if no changes were made) or Save (if any additional changes were made).
EXAMPLE #5: CHANGING THE INDENTION OF EXISTING CAPTIONS

(This example also illustrates suppressed spans, changes in hierarchy, and making an identical change to a group of consecutive lines)

Proposal: The following development currently exists in KFN:

KFN5674  Museums and galleries (Table KF9)
KFN5675  Libraries (Table KF9)

A new level of hierarchy is being proposed above these two captions, resulting in the following arrangement:

Cultural resources
KFN5673  General (Table KF9)
KFN5674  Museums and galleries (Table KF9)
KFN5675  Libraries (Table KF9)

Two new lines are being created, and two existing captions are being moved one indentation to the right.

Step 1: Browse to KFN5674.

Step 2: Click on the white icon beside the caption Museums and galleries, since this caption is currently at the same indentation as the proposed caption, Cultural resources. Select Propose a new class number here from the pop-up menu. The EZ form is displayed (see next page)
EXAMPLE #5: CHANGING THE INDENTION OF EXISTING CAPTIONS  (Continued)

Step 3: Edit the number in the Proposed class # field, changing it from KFN5674 to KFN5673-KFN5675. The span consists of the class numbers for the first caption and the last caption that are indented under Cultural resources. Formulating the span correctly ensures that Class Web and the printed classification schedules will display the caption at the correct location.

Radio button for span. Check that the radio button for Suppressed span is selected, since this is a span that should not be displayed in Class Web or the printed classification schedule:
EXAMPLE #5: CHANGING THE INDENTION OF EXISTING CAPTIONS  (Continued)

Step 4: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Museums and galleries to Cultural resources. The Hierarchy field need not be changed, since the desired hierarchy for the new caption is the same as the existing hierarchy for Museums and galleries.

Step 5: Delete KF9 from the TABLE field, since this new caption will not be subarranged by a table.

Step 6: Cite the work generating the proposal in the Work cat. field.

Step 7: Fill in any other applicable fields.

After completing Steps 3-7, the EZ form looks like this:
EXAMPLE #5: CHANGING THE INDENTION OF EXISTING CAPTIONS  (Continued)

Step 8: Print the screen.

*For proposals consisting of multiple consecutive lines, a printout should be made of only the record for the first line of the proposed development. Printouts need not be made of the records for subsequent lines.*

Step 9: Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

Step 10: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser’s Refresh button). The proposed new caption is displayed in green. Since **Suppressed span** was selected, the span of numbers is not shown:

![Image](image.png)

Step 11: The next number to be added is **KFN5673**. The caption **General works** is to be indented under **Cultural resources**. Click **P** beside the white icon beside the green caption **Cultural resources**. Select **Propose a new class number here** from the pop-up menu. The EZ form is displayed:

![Image](image.png)

Step 12: Edit the **Proposed class #** field, changing the data from **KFN5673-KFN5675** to **KFN5673**. Select the **Single #** radio button.

Step 13: Since the caption for this number, **General works**, is to be indented under **Cultural resources**, **Cultural resources** must be added as the final line in the **Hierarchy** field. Add the words **Cultural resources** on a new line below the line **Science and the arts. Research** in the hierarchy field:

![Image](image.png)

*Note that the text for the new line in the hierarchy field is added at the left margin of the field. When the record is saved, the system will automatically reformat the field to produce a "stepladder" style hierarchy. It is important that each level of hierarchy be on its own separate line in the field.*
EXAMPLE #5: CHANGING THE INDENTION OF EXISTING CAPTIONS  (Continued)

Step 14: Edit the caption in the Caption field, changing it from Cultural resources to General works.

For proposals consisting of multiple consecutive lines, the Work cat. citation is required only in the record for the first line. The field may be left blank in subsequent records. Similarly, if email notifications are desired, the email address field should be filled in only in the first record of the group; otherwise multiple email messages will be generated, one for each proposal record in which an email address was provided.

Step 15: Enter KF9 in the TABLE field, since this caption is to be subarranged by Table KF9.

After completing Steps 10-15, the EZ form looks like this:

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Step 16: Click Save. On the confirmation screen, click Close.

Step 17: Click the Minaret Refresh button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new number and caption are displayed in green, indented under the previously created caption:

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EXAMPLE #5: CHANGING THE INDENTION OF EXISTING CAPTIONS  (Continued)

Step 18: The next step is to change the indentation of the existing captions Museums and galleries and Libraries so that they will be indented under Cultural resources. Click the white icon beside the caption Museums and galleries. Select Propose a change to this record from the pop-up menu. The EZ form is displayed:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

Step 19: Change the indentation of Museums and galleries by adding Cultural resources to the hierarchy field. Add this as the bottom line of the field, directly below Science and the arts. Research:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

Step 20: When making exactly the same change to more than one consecutive line, a proposal record should be created only for the first line, and a note should be added in the Cataloger's comments field, detailing the full scope of the change. Classification editorial staff will update the remaining lines. Since the same change is being made for both Museums and galleries and Libraries, add the following note to the Cataloger's comments field: "Change the indentation of this line and the line at KFN5375."
EXAMPLE #5: CHANGING THE INDENTION OF EXISTING CAPTIONS  (Continued)

After completing Steps 19-20, the EZ form looks like this:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

Step 21: Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

Step 22: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed change to the caption **Museums and galleries**, showing the new indentation, is displayed in brown immediately below the display of the existing caption:
Step 23: The proposal is now complete. Attach the printout that was made in Step 8 to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.
EXAMPLE #6: PARENTHESSIZING A NUMBER AND CREATING A SEE REFERENCE

Proposal: The following line currently exists in SF:

SF459.H3 Hamsters

A new development has been proposed for Hamsters at SF458.9-SF458.95 (see EXAMPLE #3). A proposal is therefore being made to change the above line to:

(SF459.H3) Hamsters see SF458.9-SF458.95

This should be treated as a proposal to modify an existing line by parenthesizing the number and changing the caption to a see reference rather than a proposal to create a simple see reference.

Step 1: Browse to SF459.H3.

Step 2: Since the number and caption are to be modified, click on the white icon beside the caption Hamsters. Select Propose a change to this record. The EZ form is displayed (see next page):
Step 3: Edit the caption to read **Hamsters see SF458.9-SF458.95.**
EXAMPLE #6: PARENTHEZIZING A NUMBER AND CREATING A SEE REFERENCE (Continued)

Step 4: In the **Cataloger's comments** field, add a note to the editorial staff requesting that the number SF459.H3 be parenthesized.

*Note: Do NOT actually put parentheses around the number in the Proposed class # field.*

Step 5: Cite the item that is generating the proposal in the **Work cat.** field.

Step 6: Fill in any other applicable fields.

After completing Steps 3-6, the EZ form looks like this:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

Step 7: Print the screen.

Step 8: Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **Close**.

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EXAMPLE #6: PARENTHEIZING A NUMBER AND CREATING A SEE REFERENCE (Continued)

Step 9: Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new reference is displayed in brown:

![Reference Displayed in Brown]

Step 10: Attach the printout that was made in Step 7 to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.
EXAMPLE #7: CREATING A CF. NOTE (METHOD 1)

Proposal: The following lines currently exist in the LC Classification:

GN476.73  Ethnobotany

QK86.5  Applied ethnobotany

The proposal is to create the following Cf. note:

GN476.73  Ethnobotany
          Cf. QK86.5 Applied ethnobotany

Step 1: Browse to GN476.73, the location where the Cf. note is to be added

Step 2: Click on the white icon beside GN476.73 and select Propose a new reference here from the pop-up menu. The EZ form for creating references is displayed:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

Proposed Schedules Record

Use the radio buttons on the left to select the type of tracing or reference you are proposing and complete the two input fields on that line. The Location of reference value describes where this reference will appear in the schedules and the Target # field contains the class number or span to which this reference refers.

Proposal generated by Book No Book CIP Rare Book Coop

Location of reference GN476.73

- Caption
- Cf. Target #
- For Topic

Work cat.

Cataloger's comments

Email address

If you would like to be notified when your proposal is scheduled for a monthly list and of the subsequent decision by the classification editorial meeting, include your email address on the next line.
EXAMPLE #7: CREATING A CF. NOTE (METHOD 1) (Continued)

Step 3: Since the reference being proposed is a Cf. note, click the radio button beside the second of the three choices on the easy form. Type QK86.5 in the Target # field and Applied ethnobotany in the Topic field.

When entering a span of numbers, e.g., GN476.7-GN476.78, always type the FULL beginning number and the FULL ending number, even though redundant portions of the span are suppressed in both online and print displays.

Step 4: Cite the item that is generating the proposal in the Work cat. field.

Step 5: Fill in any other applicable fields.

After completing Steps 3-5, the EZ form looks like this:

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Step 6: Print the screen.

Step 7: Click Save. On the confirmation screen, click OK.

Step 8: Click the Minaret Refresh button (NOT the browser’s Refresh button). The proposed new Cf. note is displayed in brown:
EXAMPLE #7: CREATING A CF. NOTE (METHOD 1) (Continued)

Step 9: Attach the printout that was made in Step 6 to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.
EXAMPLE #8: CREATING A SEE REFERENCE (METHOD 2)

Proposal: The following number is being proposed in LC Classification:

PS3568.O243 Roberts, Nora

The following see reference is also being proposed:

[PS3568.O222] Robb, J. D., 1950- see PS3568.O243

Step 1: Create a proposal for PS3568.O243, following the instructions in Example 1.

Step 2: Click on the white icon beside PS3568.O243 and select Modify or delete this proposal from the pop-up menu. The EZ form for creating the proposal is displayed again, this time with reference fields (see next page):
Step 3: Since the reference being proposed is a see reference, click the radio button next to **See ref.** Type **PS3568.O222** in the **See ref. (class #)** field and **Robb, J. D., 1950-** in the **Caption** field.

Step 4: Cite the item that is generating the proposal in the **Work cat.** field.
EXAMPLE #8: CREATING A SEE REFERENCE (METHOD 2) (Continued)

Step 5: Fill in any other applicable fields.

After completing Steps 3-5, the EZ form looks like this:

![Proposed Schedules Record](image)

The following class numbers (which can be spans) correspond to the place where each tracing or reference should appear in the schedules. The Proposed class #, at the top of this form, is the number to which these references refer.

- See ref. (class #)
  - PS3568.O222
- For ... see ...
  - (class #)
- Cf. note (class #)
- Caption: Robb, J. D., 1950-
- Topic:

Email address

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Step 6: Print the screen.

Step 7: Click **Save**. On the confirmation screen, click **OK**.

Step 8: Browse for PS3568.O222. Click the Minaret **Refresh** button (NOT the browser's Refresh button). The proposed new reference is displayed:

```
| PS3568.I265  | Rice, Ann, 1941- TABLE P-PZ40 |
| PS3568.O198  | Robb, Candace M. TABLE P-PZ40 |
| PS3568.O2493 | Roberts, Keith TABLE P-PZ40   |
| PS3568.O7639 | Rose, Marcia TABLE P-PZ40     |
```

*The reference is not properly aligned with the hierarchy. PSD staff will correct it when the proposal is scheduled for a list.*

Step 9: Attach the printout of the proposal to the item generating the proposal and send both to PSD for processing.

**Note about printouts:** It's generally a good idea to make the required printout of a proposal before saving the proposal record (see Step 7). Do so by using the browser's **Print** button (or **File - Print**). It's also possible to make the printout after the proposal has been saved. Just click on the **white icon** and select **Modify or delete this proposal** beside the green caption to redisplay the **EZ form** for that caption. Make the printout and then click either **Cancel** (if no changes were made) or **Save** (if any additional changes were made).