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**Levit & James CrossEyes Version 3.0 Enhanced for
Section 508 Compliance**

New release focuses on accessibility

Washington, D.C. (November 5, 2003) - Levit & James, Inc. will demonstrate a beta release of CrossEyes version 3.0, which is enhanced for users with vision impairment and other disabilities, at the IDEAS 2003 show at the Washington DC Convention Center, November 5 and 6, 2003.

CrossEyes, an add-in for all recent versions of Microsoft Word, makes it easier for users to see and edit all formatting in their documents. When a user starts CrossEyes, it creates a window at the bottom of a Word document, which shows all formatting, as textual codes, in-line with the text. This is similar to the reveal codes feature in WordPerfect. A user can either click on, or press ENTER on, any of the codes shown in the CrossEyes window, to open the correct dialog box in Word for editing or modifying that element in a document.

Version 3.0 of CrossEyes includes many improvements that will dramatically enhance the ability of people who are sight-impaired to use Microsoft Word. The new CrossEyes

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will support key requirements for Section 508 of the U.S. Rehabilitation Act. Its features include:

- Compatibility with screen readers, such as Jaws and Windows-Eyes
- Keyboard access to all CrossEyes features, allowing those with mouse navigation limitations to fully utilize the benefits of CrossEyes
- Support for Microsoft's *Active Accessibility Protocol* for easy integration with assistive technology
- Support for High Contrast options, as well as standard system size, color, font and input settings

“Even simple editing of a Word document can be confusing. For example, there are at least five different ways a text paragraph can have a first-line indent, and four different ways to make text bold in a paragraph,” said Ian Levit, vice president of Levit & James. “And the problems that most people have with Word are magnified many times over, for people with disabilities. CrossEyes makes all this coding clear, and with Version 3.0, CrossEyes will substantially improve the use of Word for people who are sight-impaired,” Mr. Levit added.

A public beta testing program will be launched in a few weeks. Those interested in participating should email crosseyes@levitjames.com.

Levit & James, a leading provider of document conversion utilities and add-in products for Microsoft Word, is located in Leesburg, Virginia. For additional information, please contact Ian Levit, Vice President for Marketing and Sales at (703)771-1549, or ianlevit@levitjames.com.

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