

# **November 2007 Update**

This document describes the enhancements and changes in this November 2007 Update. Note that you must have installed the May 2006 Master Load, Second Edition, before installing this update. You do not need an install code to install this update. We will be uploading to the web site updated versions of this November 2007 Update on a regular basis and we strongly encourage you to download each new version as they become available.

For any questions regarding this update, please contact AristoCAT support at support@aristocat.com or 800-727-4786.

## **Change History**

The following is a list of changes incorporated in this update. The changes are listed in reverse chronological order, so that the most recent changes are listed first.

Several items have been added and or updated in the Resources area. To see these items, double-click the Resources Icon and you will see four tool bars, Newsletters, Tutorial, Hardware and Updates. The added and updated items include:

- **Tutorials**
  1. The SampleFiles.exe have been updated to reflect changes in the Automatic Indexing program. See the SampleFiles.PDF for information on using the sample files.
  2. A new PDF file (elan Mira-Fusion.pdf) describes how to use the elan Mira and Fusion with the AristoCAT software.
  3. Esupport.PDF – this PDF file will give you instructions for e-mailing AristoCAT files to help us figure out problems.
  4. Moving Your Files.PDF describes the easiest way to move your files to a new computer.
- **Updates**
  1. When you install master load software or an update, a text file will be updated indicating the software installed and the date and time of the installation.
  2. The PDF file describing the changes of the installed software.

**Note:** Two new items (Nos. 6 and 7) have been added to the Edit changes on January 7, 2008. We encourage you to read them.

### **December 21, 2009**

A fix has been made to the Edit program. Some customers have reported that sometimes their edit screen would jump or the text would scroll off the right-hand side of the screen. This problem should be fixed. Note that there may be more than one cause for the Edit screen to jump and if you still experience this problem, please let us know.

### **April 20, 2009**

A fix has been made to the Read program. If you highlight several files to read in as one file, if FILE.002 is highlighted, it will not read in FILE.002. This has been fixed.

### **February 12, 2009**

- A change was made to the File Management program which will backup (copy) all of your files (your entire user folder) to a removable media drive. To backup all of your files, click on the Backup menu item and then click on "Backup All Files". There is also a Restore All Files option which will copy all of your files from a removable media drive.
- A fix was made to the File Management program. Under certain circumstances, when copying a file from a removable media drive to the hard disk, all the files for the job would be copied, not just the file(s) you highlighted.

### **August 21, 2008**

- Edit – When you append a global file from another job, the Edit program will now also append the Accept All/Correct All file from that same job. In addition, you can edit the Accept All/Correct All word list in the Edit program. To do this, click on the Edit preferences, then click the Proofreader button and then click the Edit Accept/Correct Word List button.
- Translation Program – the translation program will now automatically capitalize street names. This was a feature we added to the real-time program in June. See the June 2, 2008 description below to see how to use this feature.
- Several minor fixes have been made to a couple programs and there are new PDF files in the Tutorials section of the Resources icon.

### **August 6, 2008**

- Edit – if you have text highlighted with an automatic indexing marker that was also bold and/or underlined, you would not see the color of the automatic indexing marker. This has been fixed.
- Automatic Indexing Program – Indexed text will now automatically flow to the next line if all of the text will not fit on one line. This is identical behavior as the exhibit description.

### **June 25, 2008**

- Real-time Program – a RT- command has been documented. The RT-FASTDEFINE allows you to automatically assign a steno stroke to a spelled word. See the AristoCAT User's Manual for detailed information on how this command works.
- Several sections in the chapter on Real-time in the AristoCAT User's Manual have been updated including finger spelling, making defines, RT-FASTDEFINE and RT-SPELL.
- Edit Program – When you open a .WRK and split out a section of text to another .WRK file, a copy of the note file is also made. For example if you open the SMITH.WRK file, mark off a section of text and write out that section as SMITH2.WRK, you will also get a SMITH2.NOT note file. This is the way it has always worked. Now when you write out the text, you will also get a time stamp file (.TIM), if there is one, an audio sync file (.AVS), if there is one and a copy of the sound file (.WAV), if there is one. This means you can play back the sound in the SMITH2 file and make time stamps.

#### **Notes:**

1. When a copy of the sound file is made (.WAV), the entire sound file is copied, not just the portion of the sound relating to the text you split out.
  2. When you highlight less than 50 lines of text and write it out, the default extension will be for an include file (.INC). If you highlight 50 or more lines of text to write out, the default extension will be a work file (.WRK). You can change the default extension by either typing in the extension with the file name or by clicking on Files of Type at the bottom of the dialog box.
- View Notes (STENO) Program – If you split out a section of notes in the View Notes program, you will also get a time stamp file (.TIM), a audio sync file (.AVS) and the sound file (.WAV) with the split out section of notes. For example, if you have a note file named SMITH

(SMITH.NOT) which also has a time stamp file (SMITH.TIM), an audio sync file (SMITH.AVS) and sound file (SMITH.WAV), if you use the View Notes program to split out a section of SMITH to SMITH2, you will have the following files: SMITH2.NOT, SMITH2.TIM, SMITH2.AVS and SMITH2.WAV. **Note:** When a copy of the sound file is made (.WAV), the entire sound file is copied, not just the portion relating to the text you split out.

### **June 2, 2008**

#### Real-time Program

1. Some customers have reported that during real-time words will stop displaying on the screen, but the real-time program continues to run (ie: the audio sync time will continue to keep running and you can exit the real-time program normally even though the words no longer appear on the screen.) We are not sure whether this is a software problem or a hardware problem, so we have added a software command to capture information when this happens. If the real-time program stops displaying words, press the Space bar on your computer. When you press the Space bar, the real-time program will save some information in a file named tran.log and then will try to restart communications with your writer. If you try this feature, please let us know if it works for you. In addition, please e-mail us the tran.log file to [support@aristocat.com](mailto:support@aristocat.com). You can find this file in your user folder.
2. We have added a feature that will capitalize street names under certain circumstances. To turn on the feature, start the real-time program and when asked for the name of the note file, click the Cancel button. Now click the Edit menu and then click Automatic Text Formatting. Now click the Help button to get information on how to use this new feature. Note that this feature has not been implemented in the translation program (only the real-time program), but it will be in a future update.

### **May 5, 2008**

Edit – the following changes have been made to the Edit program:

1. You can now change the text and background colors of untranslates and conflicts. To change the colors for untranslates and conflicts, click on the Edit Preferences toolbar and then click the Window Colors button. Note that any changes to the untranslate and conflict colors will not take affect until you save out of Edit and then open the file again. **Important Note:** You may find that text for untranslates/conflicts is very hard to read. If this is the case, you will need to change the text color as described above.
2. You can now display the time stamps in Edit. To see the time stamps, click on the View menu item in Edit, then click either Time Stamps or Printed Time Stamps. If you click on the Time Stamps menu item, you will see the actual time. If you click on the Printed Time Stamps menu item, you will see the time stamps as they would print or appear in an ASCII file. For example, the printed time stamps may be the elapsed or actual time, appear every fifth line, appear in the HH:MM format, etc. You set these time stamp options on the Edit Preferences dialog box. To hide the time stamps, click on the View menu, then click on the menu that is checked, either Time Stamps or Printed Time Stamps.

### **March 17, 2008**

- Automatic Indexing program – changes to the automatic indexing program have been made to allow you to sort the index by the witness last name, by exhibit number and arrange the index and exhibit pages by plaintiffs and defendants.
- The chapter on Automatic Indexing in the AristoCAT User's manual has been updated.
- The SampleFiles.exe under Tutorials in the Resources icon has been updated to include new sample include files for automatic indexing.
- The IncludeFiles.pdf file under Tutorials in the Resources icon has been updated to describe the new scan stops (ie: [>date], [>time], etc.)

## February 28, 2008

**Note:** The updates to the real-time and edit programs refer to special scan stops. These special scan stops are described in the May 2006 Update PDF file. To view this file, click on the Resources icon, click on the Updates toolbar and then open the May 2006 Update PDF file.

- **Real-time Program** – two changes have been made to the real-time program:
  1. An Append button has been added to the Job Dictionary List. The Append button allows you to easily append one job dictionary. Click the Help button for detailed information about the Append button. The Edit List button is still available for those instances where you need to use more than one job dictionary.
  2. A new, special scan stop has been added. The scan stop is [**>#**] and it allows you to replace the scan stop in an include file with a number. To use this scan stop, immediately after writing your outline to bring in an include file that contains this scan stop, write a number. That number will replace the scan stop. For example, if in your personal dictionary you have a steno outline pharbg/pharbg which is defined as .df exhibit.inc and exhibit.inc looks like this:

(Exhibit Number [**>#**] was marked.)

If you write pharbg/pharbg/#1 the include file in the transcript will look like this:

(Exhibit Number 1 was marked.)

### **Important Notes:**

1. The real-time program will only recognize one number (the number can be more than one digit long) after the include file and so it can only replace one scan stop in the include file. The include file can contain other special scan stops such as [**>date**], [**>LEFT1**], which will be filled out accordingly.
  2. The number following the include file can be written with or without using the number bar. The real-time program looks at the translation, not how you wrote it.
  3. If you don't have time to write a number after the include file, the include file will still be inserted and the scan stop will be left unchanged.
  4. The # sign in the scan stop can optionally be followed by a capital letter. For example: [**>#D**]. The capital letter indicates to the real-time program to format the number as other than an Arabic number. Valid letters are D=date, T=time, O=ordinal, S=spelled out, A=Arabic and R=Roman Numeral.
  5. If the scan stop in your include file is surrounded by an automatic indexing marker, the automatic indexing marker will be left as is.
- **Edit Program** – the Edit program has the following change:

When you insert an include file with special scan stops (ie: [**>date**], [**>LEFT1**], etc.), the Edit program will fill out those scan stops whenever it can. For example:

    - [**>LEFT1**], [**>LEFT2**], [**>RIGHT1**] and [**>RIGHT2**] – if you have attorneys defined for A:LEFT1, etc., it will fill in these scan stops with the appropriate attorney name.
    - [**>time**] – if you have a time stamp file for the job, it will fill in the appropriate time.
    - [**>date**], [**>month**], [**>day**], [**>year**] – this November 2007 update has an updated Read and Real-time program that keeps track of the date you wrote the job. If you are editing a transcript that you did in the update Real-time program or you read on with the updated Read program, the Edit program will be able to fill in the scan stops with the correct date, month, etc.

## January 24, 2008

Changes have been made to the File Management program so that it works better when archiving to a CD. In addition, there are occasions when a file name is created that is longer than 24 characters, which is the maximum the file management program will support, and it was not possible to copy or erase these files using the file management program. The file management

program has been changed so that you can now copy and erase files with names longer than 24 characters.

### January 7, 2008

- **Edit Program**
  1. Some proofreading features, such as doubled words, missing punctuation, improper capitalization, etc., have been built into the edit program. Any suspect words will be underlined in blue. You can right-click on the suspect word to get a suggestive action. Note that AutoSpell must be on for the proofreading feature to work.
  2. You can change the color of the underlining of possible misspelled words (currently red) and proofreading suspect words (currently blue). Open any file in Edit, go to Edit preferences and then click the Proofread button. The Help button will give you more information.
  3. You can change the background color of untranslates and conflicts. Open any file in Edit, go to Edit preferences and click on the Window Colors button. Note that currently the changes will not take effect until you save out of edit and then go back into edit.
  4. The AVSync playback commands (Play Snippet and Play Continuously) have been slightly modified. If you do the play snippet command while the sound is playing, the edit program will start playing the snippet over again. So if you position the cursor correctly, you can replay the same word(s) over and over by repeating the play snippet command (Ctrl+KM). If you are playing the sound continuously, you can stop the sound by typing the play continuously command (Ctrl+Shift+P). You can still stop the sound by pressing the ESCape key.
  5. You can now global a pick list. When the pick list pops up, check the Global box with either your mouse or with the Alt+G command.
  6. Two of the special scan stops have been modified and two new ones added. The [>date] and [>day] scan stops have been changed so that the day is no longer an ordinal (ie: 7<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>). The two new scan stops are [>dateo] and [>dayo] have been added and the day for these scan stops are ordinal.
  7. The way pick lists work has been changed. If the pick list is all upper case (ie: [MONTHS.LST]), then when you make your choice, that choice will be changed to all upper case. For example, if the month is January and your pick list is [MONTHS.LST] then January will become JANUARY. If the pick list is [months.lst] then your choice will not be converted to all upper case. This change is consistent with the way the special scan stops work. **Important Note:** The pick list files themselves are case insensitive so that [MONTHS.LST], [Months.LST] and [months.lst] all reference the same file.
- **Print Program** – when centering a header, the Print program was incorrectly calculating the center position. This has been fixed so that the header is properly centered. This change does not affect the footers.
- **Read Program** – if you have a Stentura, elan Mira or Fusion, if you wanted to convert the HMS file or (with the newer Miras and Fusions) copy the Audio File, you had to check the Convert HMS and Copy Audio File each time you read on a note file. You can now set options to always convert and/or copy the audio files. When you see your list of note files in the Read program, click the Options button to set these options. The Help button will give you more information.

### December 7, 2007

- **Edit program**
  1. The change in the edit program to allow playback during real-time caused certain sound file (.WAV) formats not to play, such as the sound files from the elan Mira. This should be fixed.
  2. When inserting an include file, Edit will recognize the special scan stops (ie: [>date], [>year], etc.) and automatically fill in the appropriate information. However, it can only fill

in this information if you are editing a file which was recently read on or done through the real-time program since the November 19, 2007 update (see the Read program update below).

- **Multipag** – In some instances, the Multipag program would incorrectly calculate the character spacing and the text would not fill the entire box. This instance occurred when individual letters were either underlined and/or bolded. Example:

D I R E C T    **E** **X** **A** **M** I N A T I O N

- **File Management program** – When you choose Files of Type, now the files on both the hard drive and the removable media drive will change to the file type you chose. For example, if you choose Zip Files (\*.zip), only zip files will show in the upper window (hard drive) and the lower window (removable media drive).

### **November 19, 2007**

- **Install Program** – when you install the update, the install program will now create a file indicating the update date and the date installed. To see this file, double-click the Resources icon, then click Updates on the toolbar. For example, when you install this version of the November 2007 Update, a file named “November 2007 Update.txt” file will be created and when you open this file, you will see a line “November 2007 Update dated 11-19-07 installed on mm-dd-yy at hh:mm:ss”. Mm-dd-yy and hh-mm-ss is the date and time you installed the update. Each time you install an update, another line will be added to the file. In addition, this PDF file which describes the changes to the software will be copied onto your computer. For example, you can look at Updates under the Resources icon and see the “November 2007 Update.pdf” file.
- **Edit program**– the following changes have been made to the Edit program. Under the Edit preferences dialog box, if you have it set to automatically capitalize a word at the beginning of a sentence, you can now set an option to uncap the next word.
- **Read program** – the Read program now embeds the date and time the note file was taken in the note file. The date and time is taken from the floppy diskette, compact flash or SD card and indicates the date and time you wrote the job, not the date and time you read the job onto the computer. This date and time will be used in future program updates.
- **View Notes (Steno) program** – when you press the Home key in the View Notes program, the cursor will stop at flag strokes and, if the English translation is showing, the cursor will also stop at untranslates. If the English translation is not showing, then the cursor will only stop at flag strokes. This behavior has been changed. Now you can tell the View Notes program when to stop when you press the Home key. To do this, click on the Preferences toolbar and you will see three choices:
  1. Flag Strokes
  2. Untranslates
  3. Job Break StrokesClick on the Help button for detailed information on these three choices.
- **Dictionary Management program** – the RTF/CRE conversion part of the dictionary management program has been completely redone to make it more universal when translating on the various writes. Please let us know if something does not translate on your writer like you expect.
- **Real-time program** – a couple of minor bugs have been corrected.
- **Help files** – the help files for the AristoCAT programs are being redone to make them compatible with the Windows Vista operating system. You will see some of these changes in this and future updates.

### **November 2, 2007**

- **Proofreader program** – the proofreader program would not proofread a .WRK file that had a long information file name (ie: more than eight characters.) This has been corrected.

- **Edit program** – the following changes have been made to the Edit program.
  1. If a suffix followed an untranslate or conflict, when you defined the untranslate or resolved the conflict, the Edit program did not drop the ending vowel or double the consonant when applicable. This has been fixed.
  2. If a conflict followed certain by line options (ie: by line option 2 or 5), when you resolved the conflict, it would not cap the word. This has been fixed.
  3. When you use the Alt+# command to insert an attorney name as a by line and your are using by line option 5, the word BY would be 'By' rather than 'BY'. This has been fixed.
  
- **Real-time Program** – The following changes have been made to the real-time program:
  1. You can now specify how you want dates and phone numbers formatted when using the RT-DATE or RT-PHONE command. To set the formatting option, go into your information file, click on the Tran Options tab, then click the Number Formats button. Remember that if you use multiple formats (ie: multiple information files), you must update this option in each information file. These formatting commands will also work in the Translation program.
  2. You can now play back the avsync sound while real-time is active. To play the sound, switch to the Edit screen and us the same commands you would normally use to play sound. **Notes:** Playing the sound while real-time is active may be dependent on the sound card in your computer. Please let us know if you experience any problems playing the sound.

AristoCAT welcomes feedback about any program changes, including ideas for software enhancements and any software problems you may experience.