WHAT ARE LEADSHEETS?

- ✓ Excel based reconciliations
- ✓ They augment the tax workpapers with auto populating of standard information there-by reducing the amount of time to prepare them
- ✓ Designed to help reduce the review time and increase accuracy
- Do NOT replace your tax software

Value of Leadsheets?

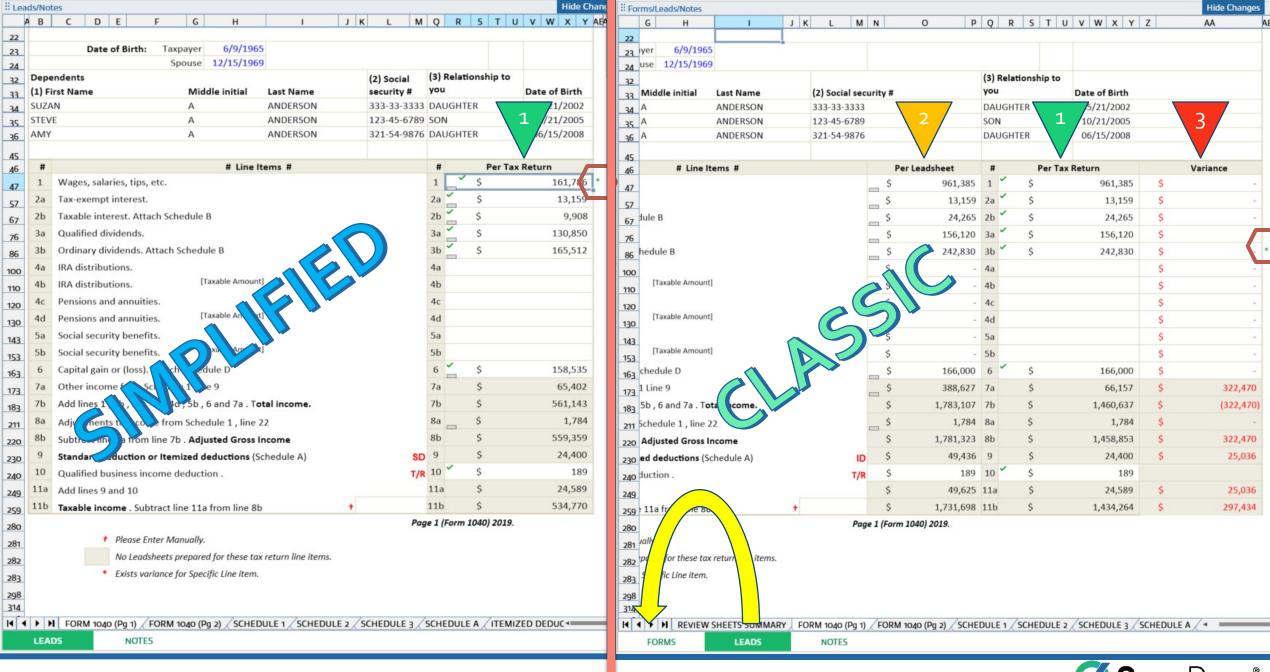
- Automated summary of multiple amounts that make up a line on 1040/Sch A
- Reduces reviewer time by tracking changes so the reviewer can focus on what has and has not been done
- Reduces time and bottlenecks by focusing on changes rather than rereviewing the entire return



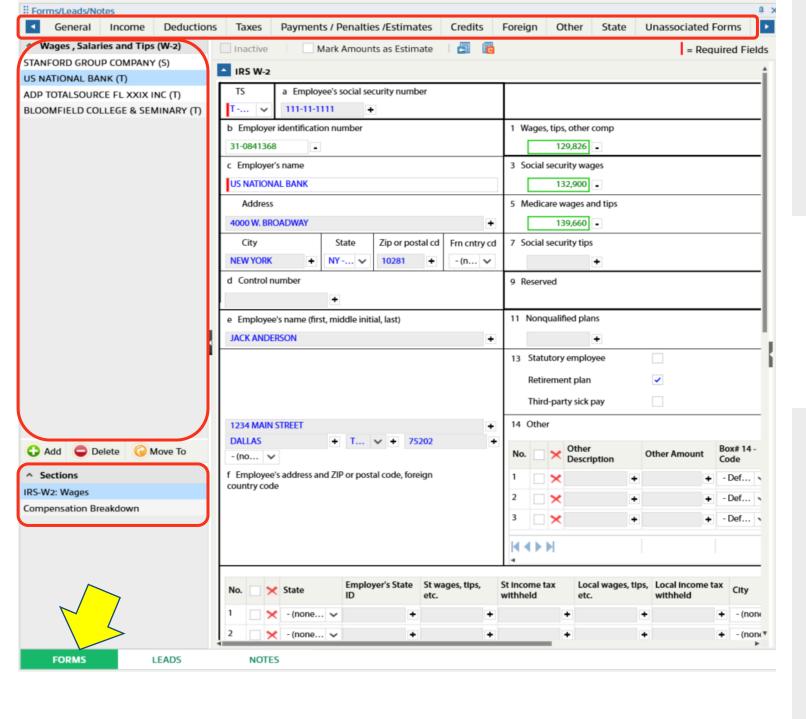
SIMPLIFIED V/S CLASSIC LEADSHEETS

	Simplified	Classic
Binder Types		
1040 Binders	>	~
1041 Binders	×	~
Tax Software Compatibility		
GoSystem Tax RS and CCH Axcess Tax	>	~
ProSystem fx Tax, Lacerte, and UltraTax CS	×	~
Reconciliation Structure		
Per Tax Return	~	~
Per Leadsheet	×	~
Variance Columns	×	✓
Designated Forms Tab	×	✓









FORMS TAB ONLY IN CLASSIC LEADSHEET BINDER

GoSystem Tax RS





SIMPLIFIED LEADSHEETS INPUT IN TAX SOFTWARE

WHAT CREATES THE LEADSHEETS?

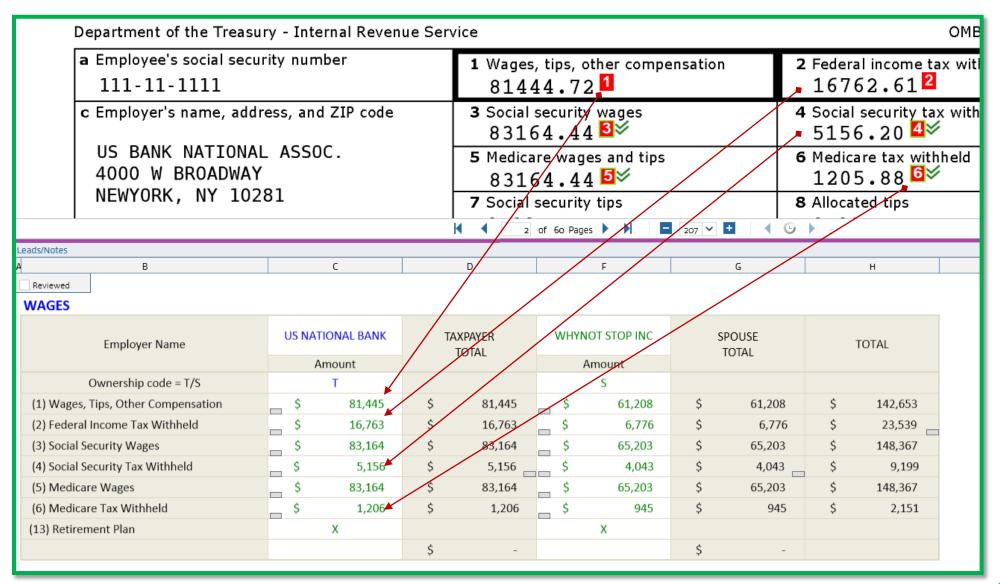
✓ OCR captured and verified Standard document data automatically creates the initial leadsheets



TREVIEWER does not have to spend time in finding where standard document amounts are picked from



STANDARD DOCUMENTS





WHAT ABOUT NON-STANDARD DOCUMENTS?

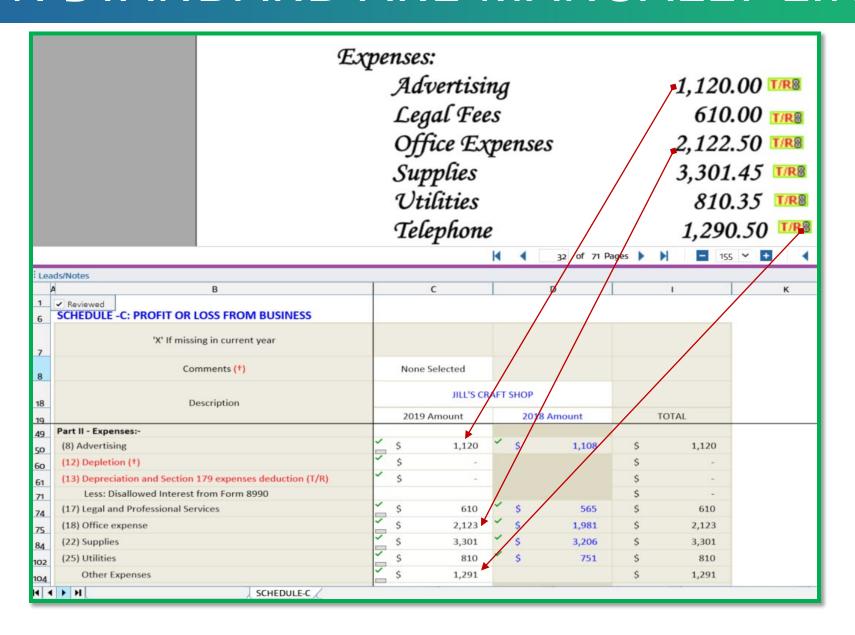
- ✓ Non-standard document data is manually updated by preparer
 - In Simplified Leadsheet binders
 - Directly in the tax return
 - Preparer manually links the data on the document to the leadsheets
 - In Classic Leadsheet binders
 - Using the Forms tab in SPbinder
 - This <u>feature directly links</u> the data on the document to the leadsheets

Reviewer does not have to spend time in finding where non-standard document amounts are picked from





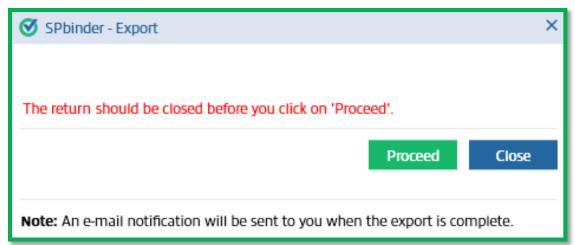
NON-STANDARD ARE MANUALLY LINKED





HOW IS TAX RETURN UPDATED?

- ✓ One-click export to tax software
 - With one click, all binder data is exported to tax software.
 - Tax return numbers are <u>either manually or automatically</u> brought back into leadsheets.



No more transposition errors.





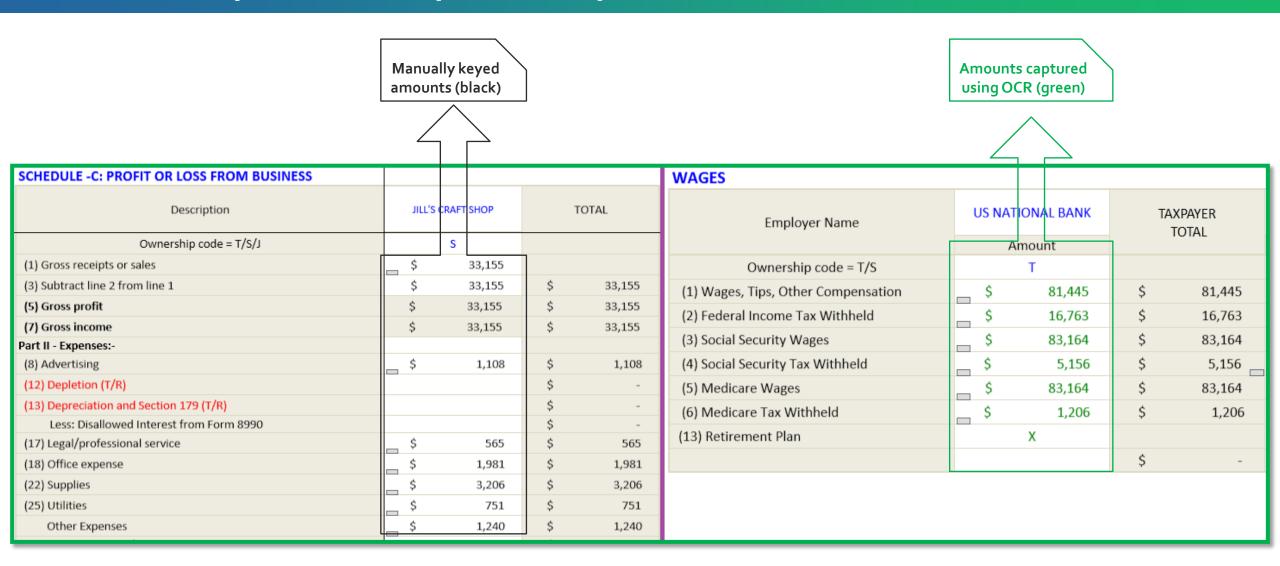
WHAT SIGNIFICANCE DO COLORS HAVE?

✓ Cut down on review time





BLACK, GREEN, BLUE, RED





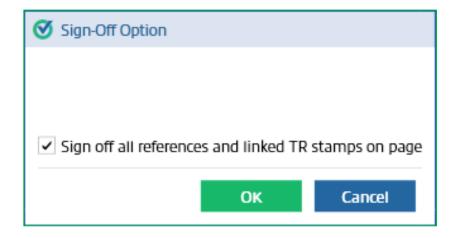
DOES SIGN-OFF HELP IN LEADSHEET REVIEW?

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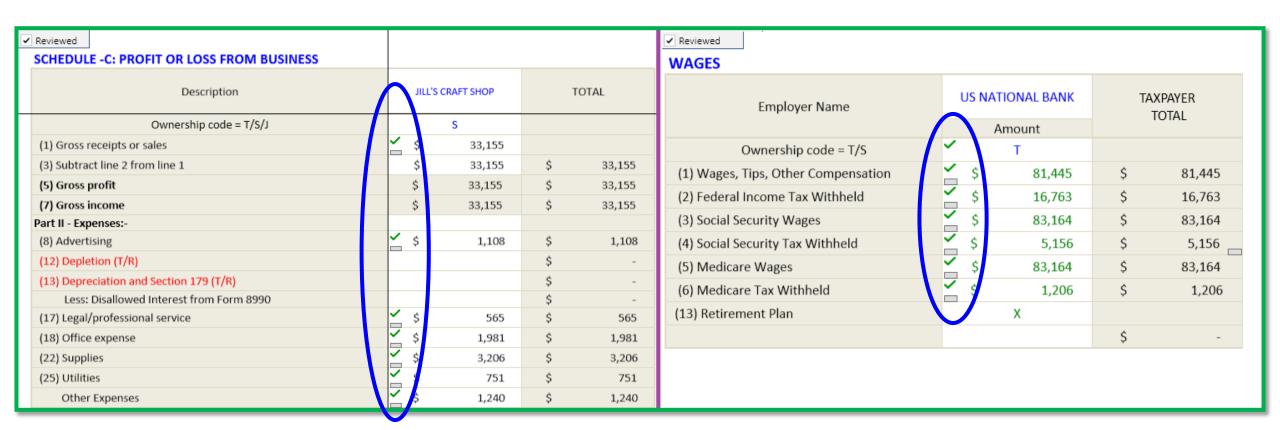




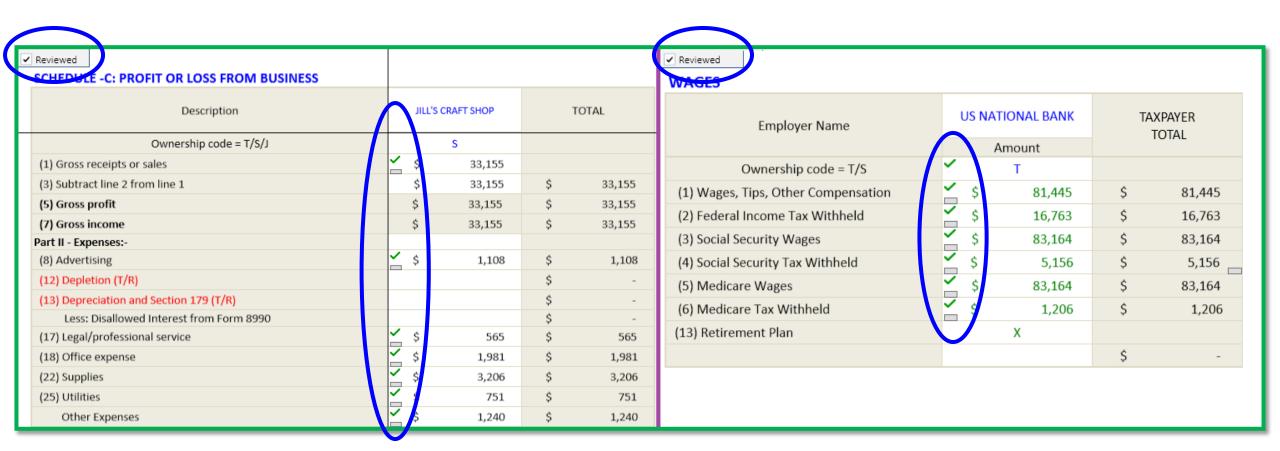
SCHEDULE -C: PROFIT OR LOSS FROM BUSINESS					
Description	JILL'S C	CRAFT SHOP	TOTAL		
Ownership code = T/S/J		S			
(1) Gross receipts or sales	\$	33,155			
(3) Subtract line 2 from line 1	\$	33,155	\$	33,155	
(5) Gross profit	\$	33,155	\$	33,155	
(7) Gross income	\$	33,155	\$	33,155	
Part II - Expenses:-					
(8) Advertising	_ \$	1,108	\$	1,108	
(12) Depletion (T/R)			\$	-	
(13) Depreciation and Section 179 (T/R)			\$	-	
Less: Disallowed Interest from Form 8990			\$	-	
(17) Legal/professional service	_ \$	565	\$	565	
(18) Office expense	\$	1,981	\$	1,981	
(22) Supplies	\$	3,206	\$	3,206	
(25) Utilities	\$	751	\$	751	
Other Expenses	_ \$	1,240	\$	1,240	

WAGES						
Employer Name	US NAT	IONAL BANK	TAXPAYER TOTAL			
	Aı	mount	10 1/16			
Ownership code = T/S		T				
(1) Wages, Tips, Other Compensation	\$	81,445	\$	81,445		
(2) Federal Income Tax Withheld	_ \$	16,763	\$	16,763		
(3) Social Security Wages	_ \$	83,164	\$	83,164		
(4) Social Security Tax Withheld	_ \$	5,156	\$	5,156		
(5) Medicare Wages	_ \$	83,164	\$	83,164		
(6) Medicare Tax Withheld	_ \$	1,206	\$	1,206		
(13) Retirement Plan		Χ				
			\$	-		



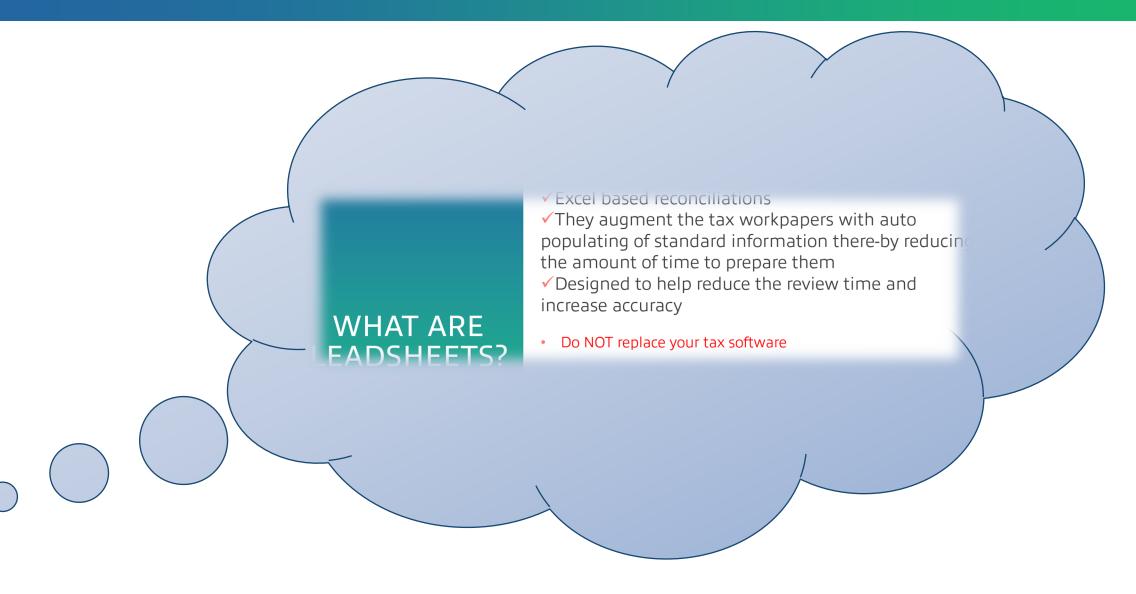








BUT WHY VARIANCES?





BUT WHY VARIANCES?

- ✓ Variances, *if any*, indicate differences in the input versus the complex calculated output from tax software.
- Learning opportunity for preparers to explain differences so reviewers do not have to



TELL ME VARIANCES CAN BE CLEARED!!

Schedule E Page 2 - Income or Losses from Schedule K-1's	(‡ - Refer t	o K-1 Reconcilatio	n for detail.	s)
Description	1065, 1	120S and PTP		1041
(f) Passive Loss Allowed	\$	-	\$	-
(g) Passive Income	\$	4,294	\$	-
(h) Nonpassive Loss	\$	(3,371)	\$	-
(i) Section 179 expenses deduction	\$	-		
(j) Nonpassive Income	\$	-	\$	-
30. Add line (g) & (j)	\$	4,294	\$	-
31. Add lines (f) (h) & (i)	\$	(3,371)	\$	-
Total income or Loss (I+II)	\$	923	\$	-
SUB TOTA	ıL \$	923		
GRAND TOTA	L \$	14,279		
Schedule E & Schedule K-1 Summary Variance	Analysis			
Per Lead	\$	14,279		
Due to Form 8582- Disallowed Passive Losses.	\$	721	\leq	
Due to Vacation Home. Due to At-Risk Carryover.				*
Due to Form 8582- Disallowed Passive Losses.				
Due to Prior year Unallowed Losses.				
Due to Disallowed Section 179 Expense.				†
Due to Calc of Form 8829 based on Home No.				
Adjusted Lead	\$	15,000		
Per Return (Schedule 1, Line 17)	\$	15,000		
Unreconciled Variance	\$	_		



NOW WHAT ARE THESE ASTERISKS FOR?

Reviewers are made aware if preparers **explained** the differences, or **not**, via colored asterisk.

| 3b | \$ 737,968 | *

3a \$ 689,713 *



REVIEW METHOD USING LEADSHEETS

Know how leadsheets can assist in reviewing the tax return



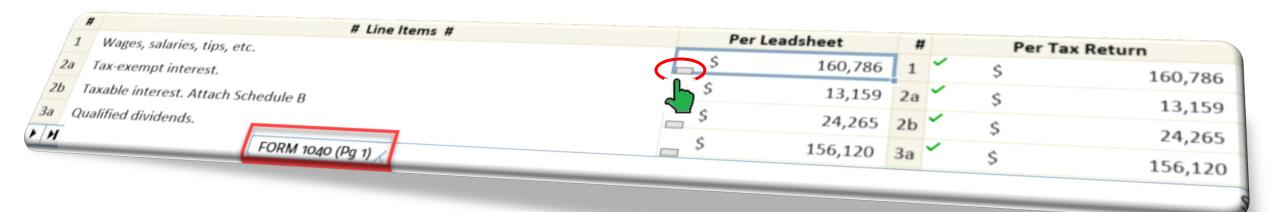
TOP-DOWN REVIEW METHOD

- ✓ Demystify the source of each tax return amount with a top-down review
- 1. Firstly, make sure the pg. 1, 2 and Schedule amounts in tax return match the leadsheets.



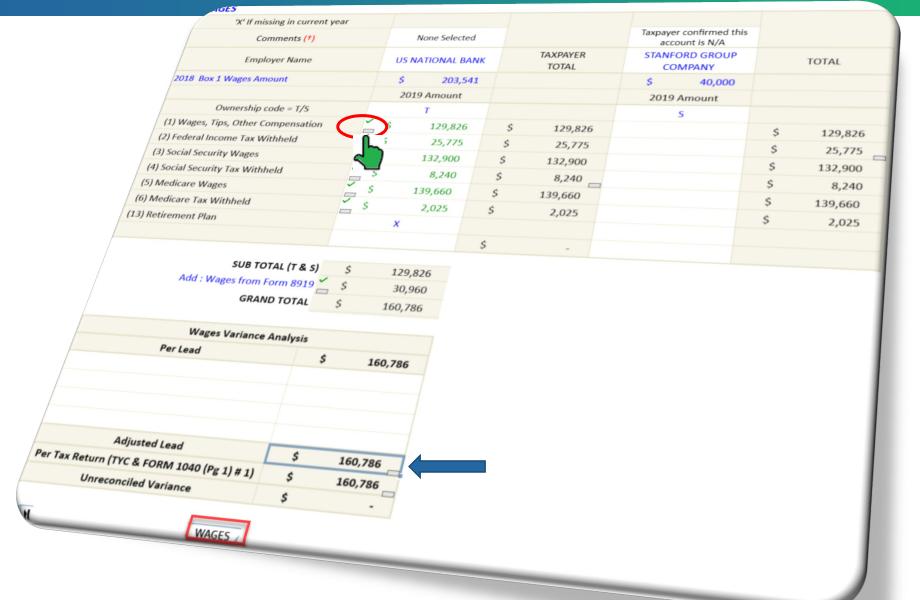
START ON 1040 PG 1

2. Drill-down from the 1040 / Schedule A leadsheet numbers to the underlying source documents. Compare this with tax return ###



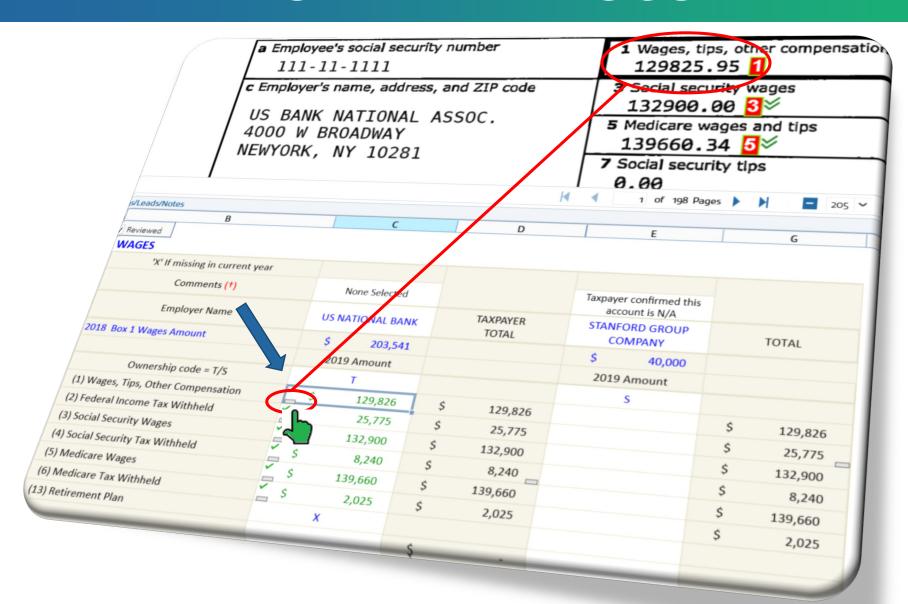


JUMP TO THE WAGES LEADSHEET





FINALLY TO THE W2 DOCUMENT



✓ Remember color coding!! Look at black amounts and not green



TOP-DOWN REVIEW METHOD

- 3. Sign-off the document using the L2/L3/L4 levels
- ✓ Review the Specials:
 - Two-year comparison
 - 1040 Schedules, Schedule A
 - Schedule D & 8949 reporting
 - Schedule K-1 reconciliation
 - Business & Rental Property Summary
 - Mortgage Interest Limitation Calculation
 - Foreign Income Summary
 - Tax Exempt Interest/Dividends
 - Tax Deduction Worksheet
 - DTP Disposition
 - Statements and LIST



2YR COMPARISON LEADSHEET

TWO YEAR COMPARISON														- 1	- 1																																																																									
		Tax Year		2018		2019							- 1	- 1	- 1																																																																									
Description	1040 pg 2 #		A	mount			_				_										_		_								_		_		_ '		_				_		_ '		_ "		_ "		_ "		'				'						L								_ "		'		Leadsheet Variance						Leadsne			Difference	Difference %	1	r Yea Accor	•	New	Comments (†)
Filing Status				MFJ		MFJ		Help				Wilsonia	necerved	14/4	Accounts																																																																									
Nages, salaries, and tips etc	1		\$	122,500	\$	101,999	*	?	Ş	(20,501)	-16.74%	1	2	1	1																																																																									
chedule B - taxable interest	2b		\$	34,726	\$	55,566	*	?		20,840	60.01%	4	4	1	2																																																																									
chedule B - qualified dividends	3a		\$	62,698	\$	79,064				16,366	26.10%																																																																													
chedule B - ordinary dividends	3b		\$	92,697	\$	89,416			Ş	(3,281)	-3.54%	2	2	0	2																																																																									
RAs, pensions and annuities (Gross amount)	4a								Ş	-	-																																																																													
RAs, pensions and annuities (Taxable amount)	4b		\$	65,000	\$	25,500			Ş	(39,500)	-60.77%	5	4	0	1																																																																									
ocial security benefits	5a								\$	-	-																																																																													
axable social security benefits	5b		\$	44,200	\$	-			\$	(44,200)	-100.00%	1																																																																												
otal income	6		\$	1,568,404	\$	531,001			Ş	(1,037,403)	-66.14%																																																																													
<u>Additional Income</u>				Schedule :	1																																																																																			
Taxable refunds of state/local tax		10							Ş	-	-																																																																													
Alimony received		11	\$	100,000	\$	162,500				62,500	62.50%	0	1	0	0																																																																									
Schedule C or C-EZ (business income or loss)		12	\$	420,094	\$	166,973	*	?		(253,121)	-60.25%	1																																																																												
Schedule D (capital gain or loss)		13	\$	36,421					Ş	(36,421)	-100.00%																																																																													
Form 4797 (other gains or losses)		14	\$	(9,931)					Ş	9,931	-100.00%																																																																													
Schedule E (rental and passthrough)		17	\$	311,184	\$	(70,953)				(382,137)	-122.80%	1	1	1	1																																																																									
Schedule F (farm income or loss)		18	\$	294,067						(294,067)	-100.00%	1			1																																																																									

Explained or unreconciled variances have the potential to reveal the accuracy or errors made during return preparation when compared with prior year amounts.



TOP-DOWN REVIEW METHOD: SUMMARIZED

- 1. Firstly, make sure the 1040 pg. 1, 2 and Schedule amounts in tax return match the leadsheets. This confirms the preparer completed the tax return and imported the final numbers back into leadsheets
- 2. Drill-down from the 1040 / Sch A leadsheet numbers to the underlying source documents
- 3. Sign-off the document using the L2/L3/L4 levels
- 4. Go to the Review Tree
- These Unreviewed Workpapers either;
 - did not have data flowing into the leadsheets, hence were not reviewed, or
 - have data that <u>flowed only</u> to the tax return, or
 - are <u>supporting documents</u>/information, or
 - were <u>excluded from tax return</u>, hence need to be addressed
- 6. Identify any high-risk items or reasonableness on these workpapers. Sign-off using the L2/L3/L4 levels or bulk sign-off in Index / Review tree
- 7. Lastly, review the tax return for diagnostics, state returns and any fining requirements



Mark selected Workpaper as reviewed

Mark all Workpaper(s) as Reviewed



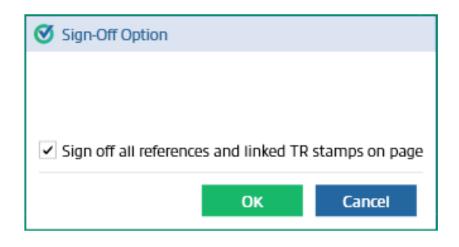
CHANGE TRACKING IN LEADSHEETS

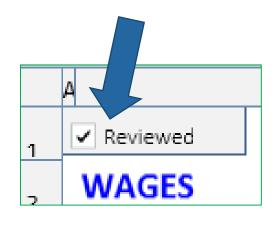
Review only the changes in numbers from your last review; *instead of everything* {all-over again}



HHHMMMM..... TRACK CHANGES

✓ Signing-off documents and/or leadsheets enables the SPbinder to track future changes for you





- ✓ Changes can be tracked at different levels of review.
- Uniqueness of everyone's review time is maintained in the REVIEW SHEETS SUMMARY



REVIE	W SHEETS SUMMARY	Review All sheets	
Sr No	Leadsheets	Sheet Reviewed	Date & Time
1	FORM 1040 (Pg 1)	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
2	FORM 1040 (Pg 2)	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
3	SCHEDULE 1	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
4	SCHEDULE 2	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
5	SCHEDULE 3	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
6	SCHEDULE A	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
7	ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
8	TWO YEAR COMPARISON	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
9	TAX DEDUCTION WORKSHEET	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
10	WAGES	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
11	INTEREST	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
12	TAX EXEMPT INTEREST	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
13	DIVIDEND	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
14	ALLOCATION OF INVESTMENT FEES	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
15	SCHEDULE-C	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
16	SCHEDULE-D SUMMARY	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
17	1099 B-RECONCILIATION	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
18	FORM 8949 SHORT-TERM A	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
19	FORM 8949 SHORT-TERM B	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
20	FORM 8949 LONG-TERM B	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
21	IRA	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
22	SCHEDULE-E SUMMARY	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
23	SCHEDULE K-1 RECONCILIATION	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
24	OTHER INCOME	✓	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
25	SCH, SE	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
26	REAL ESTATE TAXES	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AM
27	MORTGAGE INTEREST	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
28	MORTGAGE INTEREST LIMITATION	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
29	MOR INT LIMITATION - REFINANCE	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
30	FORM 1098-MIS	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
31	CASH CONTRIBUTION	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
32	FOREIGN SOURCE INCOME SUMMARY	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
33	FORM 1116-FOREIGN TAX CREDIT	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
34	FORM 1116-PAGE1	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
35	FORM 1116-PAGE2	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
36	UNREPORTED TIP INCOME	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
37	LIST	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN
38	STATEMENTS	~	Nov 12, 2020 10:34 AN

Green k = Reviewed, Change Icon = Modified

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DATE AND TIME UNIQUE TO YOU

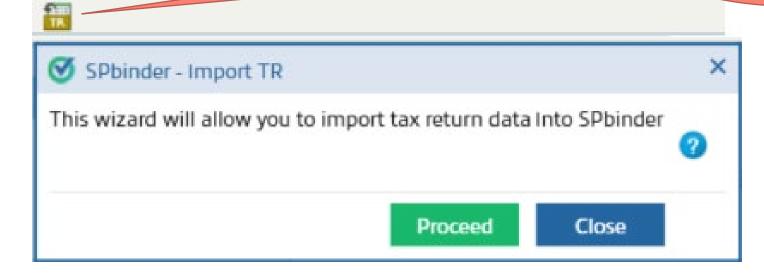
^{*} The Reight against the sheet's name indicates that all fields/Sheets from the main sheet have been reviewed.

^{*} To Unreview 4. uncheck 'Sheet Reviewed' column and To unreview all sheets, check the 'Unreview All sheets' button.

GREAT!! BUT HOW DOES TRACKING WORK?

- ✓ After your initial review,
 - any changes made by anyone in tax software and/or the leadsheets,
 - will trigger tracking of all the changes
 - via the Import T/R process

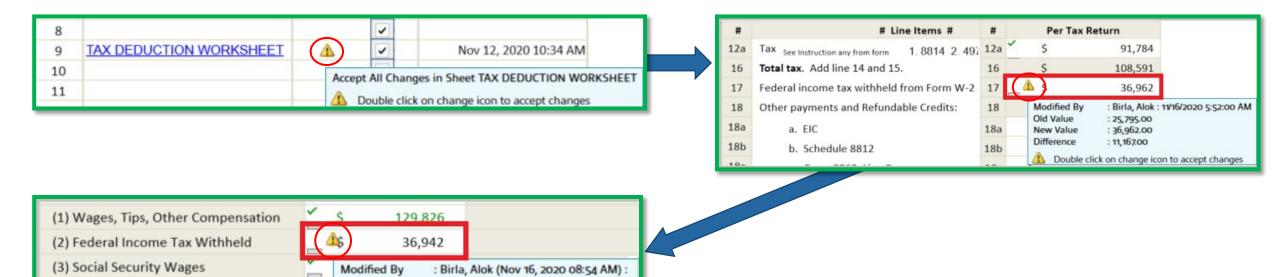
Preparer should have completed this for you. But feel free to do this yourself too!!





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Form Name

Field Name

Old Value

New Value

Difference

(4) Social Security Tax Withheld

(5) Medicare Wages

(13) Retirement Plan

(6) Medicare Tax Withheld

: US NATIONAL BANK (T)

: 25,775.00

: 36,942.00

: 11,167.00

Double click on change icon to accept changes

: Box # 2: Federal income tax withheld



MATERIALITY MATTERS?

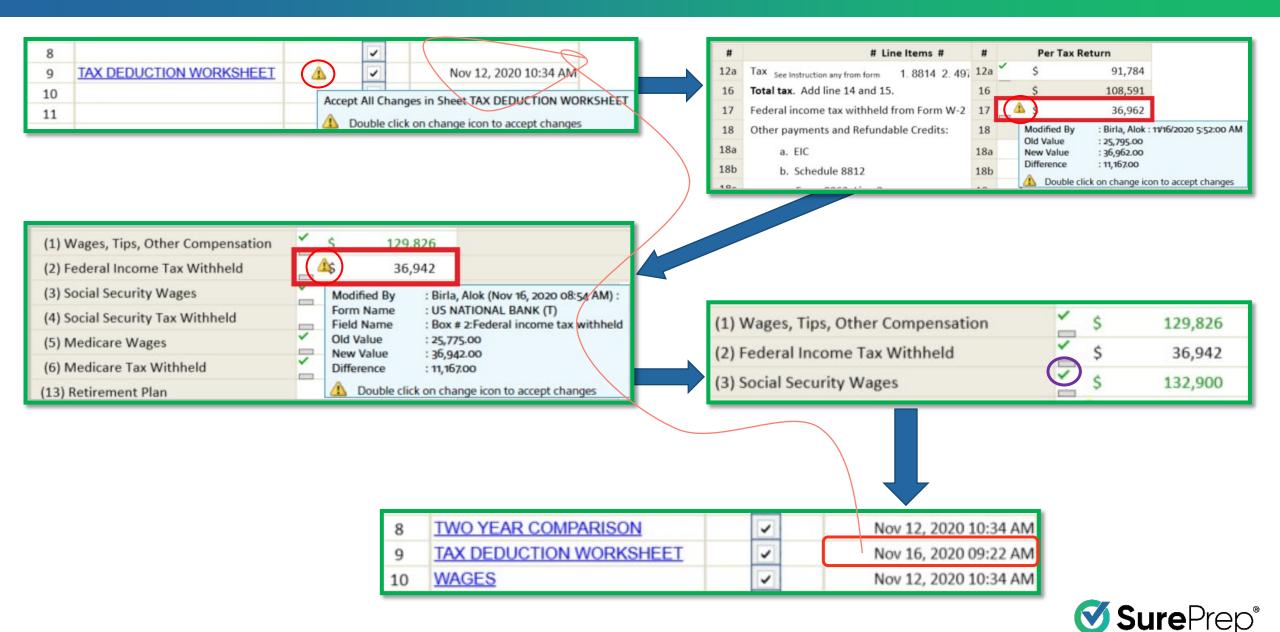
✓ If you are satisfied with the output, accept the changes at the highest level,



Based on materiality, you either perform a detail review or accept the changes. This updates your new date/time of review



ACCEPT THE CHANGES AND MOVE ONNNNN



ALL LEADSHEET BENEFITS LISTED FOR YOU



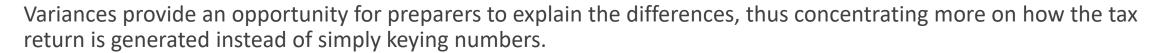
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Reviewer does not have to spend time for **non-standard** document amounts either.

With one click export, no more transposition errors.

Color coding guides reviewers to narrow their focus to areas that need attention.

Green tick in the leadsheet tells you that you <u>do not</u> have to review the input in tax software!





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