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Tip #74

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**PAGE LIMITS**

We've all been there: You need to finalize a filing, but you're just over the page limit. How can you edit your citations (while still following *The Bluebook*) to help?

# SHORT CITES

The first thing to check is whether you've missed any citations that could be short cites rather than full cites.

In legal filings, you can short cite a case once the full cite is included once in the same document.

Also consider shortening your short cite case-reference.

*ID.*

Did you miss any place that you can use *id.*  
rather than another citation form to save  
space?

# **(CITATION OMITTED)**

The “quoting” and “citing” parentheticals can take up a lot of space. If you have one that supports a fairly non-controversial cite, considering using “(citation omitted)” to shorten the parenthetical.

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