



3E DESIGN GALLERY – WHY MAKE THE SWITCH?

IMPROVE EFFICIENCY, INCREASE PROFITABILITY

- Transform your data into a variety of formats, including Microsoft Word, Excel, Adobe PDF, XML, and ASCII
- Process documents extremely fast and reduce time waiting for output
- Create Word and e-bill versions of invoices at the same time
- Edit proformas as electronic documents for faster turnaround
- Create different report versions for fee earners or firm management
- Distribute documents quickly to a variety of destinations simultaneously

IS IT TIME YOU MADE THE SWITCH FROM DOCUMENT STUDIO?

Document Studio™ is an established software solution designed to automatically transform data from your existing systems into professional-looking invoices, reports, and other documents. As a user of Document Studio, you know that it has helped you produce documents significantly faster and more cost effectively than traditional methods.

While Document Studio is a solid solution for automating the creation and distribution of critical documents, you may need other features and benefits that go beyond its capabilities. If so, we have the answer for you with our next generation document automation solution—3E® Design Gallery™.

Design Gallery has sophisticated capabilities that streamline the collection, conversion, and distribution of data within your Enterprise® or 3E system. The Design Gallery infrastructure gives you more speed and flexibility to support specific and often varied business processes. With faster processing speeds, enhanced distribution capabilities, and the ability to effortlessly convert documents into multiple formats, including Microsoft® Word, Excel®, and Adobe® PDF, Design Gallery may be the right move for your firm.

With Design Gallery you can move ahead to a more profitable future knowing that you are working with one of the world's leaders in providing professional services firms with the most innovative of business solutions. With more than 70 years of experience, Thomson Reuters Elite has the proven expertise to make it happen for you.

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR MORE THAN 70 YEARS

Whether you are part of a global institution, a multi-national firm, a boutique practice, a mid- or small-sized firm, a corporate legal department, or a government agency, Thomson Reuters Elite can provide you software products and services that help you broaden your strategic visibility over your business operations, simplify and boost firm-wide compliance, and confidently take on the future.

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SHOULD YOU SWITCH TO DESIGN GALLERY?

If you answer yes to any of the following questions, Design Gallery may be the right move for your firm.

Q. Do you require numerous Document Studio converters to operate effectively?

A. To handle your throughput requirements, you may require multiple Document Studio converters. Each Document Studio converter instance, on average, produces documents at one page per 3 seconds, while on average Design Gallery produces 10+ pages per second—30 or more times faster. Thus, many firms only require one or two server instances of Design Gallery to handle their throughput needs and can eliminate the additional converter instances that are required with Document Studio.

Q. Do you have data too large to process quickly, or at all, with Document Studio?

A. Extremely large invoices and reports may take hours to produce and at times could fail to be generated with Document Studio. This may require files to be re-run through another process for successful completion. Design Gallery generates documents differently than Document Studio and can produce documents at any size necessary in a timely manner. The only limitation is that the end application viewing the document must be able to open it.

Q. Would you like your document automation to run as a true server solution?

A. Document Studio currently runs as a single-threaded application on your servers requiring your system to be logged in so the program can run correctly and interact with Microsoft Word for document generation. Design Gallery runs as a true server solution, not requiring a user to be always logged in, nor does it require Microsoft Word to be installed on the server. In addition, each server instance of Design Gallery can process multiple requests at the same time, preventing any one file from stopping other files from being converted immediately.

Q. Are your templates complex and difficult to maintain?

A. Document Studio implementations typically have multiple templates developed which cannot share commonality. This may require rule creation and updates to be made in various locations, thus increasing the development time of your templates. Design Gallery allows common pieces to be created with a Microsoft Word-like Visual Designer tool and be shared among your various formats, so you only need to create or update one component to have it reflected wherever used. In addition, Design Gallery can produce various document types in unison from a single solution. So if you need DOC and PDF output to be generated from the same file, you do not need to create multiple copies of your templates to do so.

Q. Are you needing additional input, output, and delivery capabilities not available with Document Studio?

A. Document Studio is no longer being enhanced, meaning if you require support for additional input file types, want to save content to recent output formats, or take advantage of newly available distribution channels, these capabilities may not be available within the Document Studio product. Design Gallery is our next-generation document automation solution, and as such, it continues to be enhanced allowing you to take advantage of new features as they become available.

Q. Would you like to do more with your document automation solution?

A. You may have new requirements surrounding document generation and distribution that are not possible with Document Studio. Document Studio is geared for a few specific use cases. With Design Gallery version 3 (and higher), new tasks with very high flexibility and control are available. This allows you to take document automation within your firm to the next level and do things not possible with Document Studio.

Q. Are you planning to move to 3E?

A. Design Gallery is leveraged by 3E 2.7 (and higher) as the preferred and recommended document engine for its formatting and output capabilities. If your move to 3E is imminent, you can move your bill formats to Design Gallery today and take advantage of its strengths, while reducing some of the work required in the future when you migrate to 3E.

NOTE: The data structures between Enterprise and 3E are different, so Design Gallery solution work will be required to remap how the source data is utilized. In many cases, document formatting and high-level solution processing instructions can be largely reused.

To learn more about making the switch to 3E Design Gallery or for a global list of office locations, visit elite.com.

