## PL/B Printing & Pdfs

# Ed Boedecker Sunbelt Computer Software

## OVERVIEW

- RUNTIMES
- PL/B WEB SERVER

PRTPAGE \*PICT

(All)

- \*PICT={top}:{bottom}:{left}:{right}:{jpgimage}(9.9)
  - 'pdf:' Output Only
  - JPG image as per PDF Specification
  - {jpgimage}
    - Current working directory
    - Path + Jpgname
  - New S31 Spool Error

PRTPAGE \*PICT

(Windows)

- \*PICT={top}:{bottom}:{left}:{right}:{pict} (10.0)
- Sunbelt 'pdf:' Output
- PICT object converted to JPEG image by default Reduces Sunbelt PDF file sizes
- PRTOPEN \*FLAGS
   PDF\_FLAGS\_NO\_JPEG\_COMP\_EQU\_1024

**GETMODE\SETMODE** \*PdfJpegQuality={20 to 100}

• Sunbelt PDF Output using 'pdf:'

(Windows)

- Windows OS Default Printer Device Context Used
  - GETINFO TYPE={font},,PRINTER=PFILE
  - GETFILE
  - PRTPAGE Operations
  - SETMODE \*PDFDEFPRTNAME & \*PDFDEFPRTMETRICS

PRTPAGE \*TEMPLATE 'G' Option

(10.1)

- \*TEMPLATE 3<sup>rd</sup> Party PDF Page Command Issues
- 'G' option Extracts PDF Pages & Resources Generically without knowing PDF object syntax structures
- PDF Development/Evaluation Time Saver
- PDF object Features more Extensive
- PRTPAGE PF; \*NEWPAGE, \*TEMPLATE="F=template.pdf, P=1, G";

•Window 'PrintFormPict' Method

(9.2B/10.1B)

- •Print WINDOW to Default Printer using PICT
- •HWND Parameter
  - •0 Value is for DeskTop ScreenShot
  - Non-zero is for Windows OS Handle
- •Not supported by PL/B Web Server

## Printing PL/B Web Server

#### •PWS Server Side Printing

- PRINT
- SPLOPEN
- PRTOPEN

#### •Client Browser Side Printing

- CLIENT 'OPEN' Method
- CLIENT 'PRINT' Method
- PDF Viewing in HTMLCONTROL

### PWS Server Side Printing

#### PRINT

- Screen Definition
  - MakeDef Utility
- Default Print Device/File
- 'pdf:' (port00001.pdf)
- :f:c:\temp\printing\myabc.pdf (myabc.pdf)
- SETMODE \*DEFPRT
  - :f:c:\temp\printing\user0001.pdf
- Example: View: 'zprint.pls' Run: 'zprint.plc'

## PWS Server Side Printing

#### SPLOPEN

- SPLOPEN [{pfile}],[name][,{options}]
- Does Not Use Screen Definition Setting
- Output Specified
  - SPLOPEN Pfile, "c:\temp\printing\name\_NNNN\_splopen.pdf", "F"
- Example: View: 'zsplopen.pls' Run: 'zsplopen.plc'

## PWS Server Side Printing

#### PRTOPEN

- PRTOPEN [{pfile}, {device}, {jobname}[,{options}...]
- More Flexibility and Functionalities
- Specifies
  - OS Devices
    - Sunbelt PDF 'pdf:'
  - Job Names
  - Multiple Options
- Example: View: 'zprtopen.pls' Run: 'zprtopen.plc'

## Client Side Printing

#### •CLIENT Browsers

- Browser Controls Printing
  - Browser Window Object
  - Open Method
  - Print Method
  - https://www.w3schools.com/jsref/obj\_window.asp
- CLIENT Object
  - CLIENT 'Open' Method
    - \*NAME={name}
    - \*SPECS={specs}
    - https://www.w3schools.com/jsref/met\_win\_open.asp
  - CLIENT 'Print' Method

## Client Side Printing

#### •HTMLCONTROL PDF Viewing

- Injecting PDF into an HTML Page
  - https://scalified.com/2018/01/16/injecting-pdf-html-page/
    - Using HTML tags <u>iframe</u>, <u>embed</u> and <u>object</u>
    - Using external services, like Slideshare
    - Using JS libraries, like <u>pdf.js</u> by Mozilla
- HtmlCtlDesignSun
  - Pdfviewer.snip
  - PdfViewer1.snip
- TestPrt Sample Using Simple PDF Viewer
  - Show Me 'TestPrt.pls'

