DR 16-0010 — WML: Confusing example used repeatedly in Descriptions of attribute w:val

Status: Open

Subject: WML: Confusing example used repeatedly in Descriptions of attribute w:val

Qualifier: Request for clarification

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Nature of the Defect:

The attribute val is specified on many WML elements. In general the same text is used in the Description column, including the following very confusing example:

[*Example*: Consider the following WordprocessingML fragment:

<w:pPr>

 <w:pStyle w:val="Heading1" />

</w:pPr>

The value of the val attribute is the ID of the associated paragraph style's styleId.

However, consider the following fragment:

<w:sdtPr>

 <w:alias w:val="SDT Title Example" />

 …

</w:sdtPr>

In this case, the decimal number in the val attribute is the caption of the nearest ancestor structured document tag. In each case, the value is interpreted in the context of the parent element. *end example*]

This example can be found in the following clauses. It cannot be appropriate in all of them.

* §17.3.1.27 pStyle
* §17.3.2.29 rStyle (NOTE – the example above the attribute table also appears to be wrong)
* §17.4.18 header
* §17.4.40 tblCaption
* §17.4.46 tblDescription
* §17.4.62 tblStyle
* §17.5.1.8 placeholder
* §17.5.2.1 alias
* §17.5.2.8 dateFormat
* §17.5.2.9 docPart
* §17.5.2.10 docPartCategory
* §17.5.2.11 docPartGallery
* §17.5.2.42 tag
* §17.7.4.1 aliases
* §17.7.4.3 basedOn
* §17.7.4.6 link
* §17.7.4.9 name
* §17.7.4.10 next
* §17.8.3.1 altName
* §17.9.1.3 name
* §17.9.21 numStyleLink
* §17.9.23 pStyle
* §17.9.27 styleLink
* §17.12.4 description
* §17.12.12 name
* §17.12.14 style
* §17.14.3 addressFieldName
* §17.14.8 connectString
* §17.14.21 mailSubject
* §17.14.23 mappedName
* §17.14.24 name
* §17.14.26 query
* §17.14.31 table
* §17.14.34 udl
* §17.15.1.5 attachedSchema
* §17.15.1.19 clickAndTypeStyle
* §17.15.1.23 decimalSymbol
* §17.15.1.24 defaultTableStyle
* §17.15.1.56 listSeparator
* §17.15.2.14 encoding
* §17.15.2.30 name
* §17.15.2.39 sz
* §17.15.2.40 sz
* §17.15.2.42 title
* §17.16.10 default
* §17.16.20 format
* §17.16.25 listEntry

Solution Proposed by the Submitter:

Provide appropriate examples in each case, or remove if examples aren’t needed.

Schema Change(s) Needed:

Yes/No

**Editor’s Response:**

None

Changes to Part 1: N Part 2: N Part 3: N Part 4: N