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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A sheet of book index tabs has a backing with a release coating and a plurality of index tabs on the backing sheet separated from each other by die-cut lines. Each index tab has a transparent film layer and transparent pressure sensitive adhesive which is temporarily attached to the release coating. Each tab has a centrally located, substantially opaque band of ink extending across the tab. Stripes of dark ink are printed along each edge of the band with each stripe being an equal distance from the adjacent edge of the tab. A score line on the bottom of the backing is centered opposite the center of the band of ink to facilitate creasing of the backing and index tab. The tab takes a permanent set along the crease and separates from the release coating along the set to facilitate peeling from the backing. Upon folding the index tab along the crease, the dark stripes are superimposed for placement along the edge of a document page as an aid to alignment. Preprinted indicia are included on each side of the center line of the inked band so that after placement on a page, the indicia may be read from either face of the index tab.

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