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The joy of having a paper accepted is (only very slightly) tempered by having to reformat the bibliography and section headings to fit the journal style; sometimes authors also do this when submitting to a new journal. For .tex papers, .sty and .bib files can do the reformatting easily, but for Word, it might normally have to be done manually. Fortunately, they can be delegated if you give step-by-step instructions, e.g. to an assistant. I thought I'd share the instructions I'd given in the past, in case they help others avoid having to reinvent the wheel. If you don't have an assistant, you can hire a virtual assistant; I use www.getfriday.com. While I only cover the journals that I am familiar with in these instructions, one can easily expand them to include more journals. At the end I also have instructions you can give an assistant to cross-check the references with the paper body. If anything is incorrect or missing, please email me.

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