## AutoCAD and Its Applications BASICS

## Exercise 29-1

1. Start AutoCAD if it is not already started.
2. Open the EX28-7 file you saved during Exercise 28-7.
3. Save a copy of EX28-7 as EX29-1. The EX29-1 file should be active.
4. Make the A-Size layout current if it is not already current.
5. Create a new layer named SHEET. Assign the layer a blue color, Continuous linetype, and Default lineweight. Set the SHEET layer current.
6. Access the Options dialog box. Pick the Plot and Publish tab and select the Edge of paper radio button in the Specify plot offset relative to area.
7. Pick the Apply button and then the $\mathbf{O K}$ button to apply the settings and exit the Options dialog box.
8. Access the Page Setup Manager and modify the default *A-Size* page setup using the Page Setup dialog box.
9. Change the values in the $X$ and $Y$ text boxes of the Plot offset area back to 0.000 . These values changed when you selected the Edge of paper radio button.
10. Pick the OK button to exit the Page Setup dialog box, and pick the Close button to exit the Page Setup Manager.
11. To test that the layout origin is now located at the lower-left corner of the sheet, access the LINE command and use absolute coordinates to position the start point of the line at 0,0 . If the line does not start exactly at the lower-left corner of the sheet, follow these steps:
A. Exit the LINE command.
B. Access the Page Setup Manager.
C. Modify the default *A-Size* page setup using the Page Setup dialog box.
D. Pick the Plot upside-down check box in the Drawing orientation area.
E. Pick the OK button to exit the Page Setup dialog box, and pick the Close button to exit the Page Setup Manager.
F. Use the LINE command and absolute coordinates to position the start point of the line at 0,0 . The line should now start exactly at the lower-left corner of the sheet.

12. Create a very basic border and title block similar to those shown. Use a rectangle with a lower-left corner at coordinates $1 / 2,1 / 2$ and an upper-right corner at 10,7 $1 / 2$ to construct the border. Offset a line $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ above the lower edge of the border to form the title block. Type text with a height of $3 / 16$ " using the STYLUSBT text style. Do not be concerned that the border and title block overlap the existing floating viewport.
13. Resave and close the file.
14. Keep AutoCAD open for the next exercise, or exit AutoCAD if necessary.
