

BARNES & NOBLE INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SHELUCK WILLIAM JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BARNES & NOBLE INC, 122  
FIFTH AVE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10011

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BARNES & NOBLE INC [BKS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/12/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)					
Common Stock	04/12/2005		M		15,306 (1)	A	\$ 8.611 (1)	28,531	D (2)	
Common Stock	04/12/2005		S		1,600	D	\$ 34.13	26,931	D (2)	
Common Stock	04/12/2005		S		3,600	D	\$ 34.16	23,331	D (2)	
Common Stock	04/12/2005		S		1,000	D	\$ 34.17	22,331	D (2)	
Common Stock	04/12/2005		S		200	D	\$ 34.18	22,131	D (2)	

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Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	2,400	D	\$ 34.21	19,731	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	1,700	D	\$ 34.22	18,031	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 34.23	16,931	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	300	D	\$ 34.24	16,631	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	300	D	\$ 34.25	16,331	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	400	D	\$ 34.26	15,931	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	400	D	\$ 34.27	15,531	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 34.28	14,331	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	700	D	\$ 34.32	13,631	D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	04/12/2005	S	406	D	\$ 34.34	13,225	D <sup>(2)</sup>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.611 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/12/2005		M	15,306 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/16/1998 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/15/2006	Common Stock	15,306 <sup>(1)</sup>

# Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SHELUCK WILLIAM JR C/O BARNES & NOBLE INC 122 FIFTH AVE NEW YORK, NY 10011	X			

# Signatures

/s/ William  
Sheluck, Jr. 04/14/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).  
 These options were granted on May 29, 1996. The number of shares subject to such options and the related exercise price have been
  - (1) adjusted to reflect the Issuer's (i) two-for-one stock split effected on September 22, 1997 and (ii) spin-off transaction effected on November 12, 2004 which divided all outstanding exercise prices by 1.41534 and multiplied all related shares by the same number.
  - (2) Of these shares, 8,585 are owned directly, 8,000 of which the Reporting Person shares voting and dispositive power with his spouse, and 4,640 shares are owned indirectly through the Reporting Person's children.
  - (3) Of these shares, 14,154 shares became exercisable on January 16, 1998, and the balance became exercisable on January 16, 1999.

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