

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 *
RIGGIO LEONARD

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
122 FIFTH AVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/02/2005

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

Chairman of the Board

NEW YORK, NY 10011

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/02/2005		P	5,850 A \$ 41.62	12,622,028 (1)	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		P	5,000 A \$ 41.7	\$ 12,627,028 (1)	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		P	2,500 A \$ 41.71	\$ 12,629,528 (1)	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		P	250 A \$ 41.72	12,629,778 (1)	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		P	300 A \$ 41.75	12,630,078 (1)	D (1)	

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Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	300	A	\$ 41.83	12,630,378 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	850	A	\$ 41.89	12,631,228 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	2,600	A	\$ 41.9	12,633,828 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	250	A	\$ 41.92	12,634,078 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	13,750	A	\$ 41.93	12,647,828 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	2,250	A	\$ 41.94	12,650,078 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	650	A	\$ 41.95	12,650,728 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	2,950	A	\$ 41.96	12,653,678 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	2,500	A	\$ 42	12,656,178 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	300	A	\$ 42.05	12,656,478 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	6,250	A	\$ 42.07	12,662,728 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	1,600	A	\$ 42.08	12,664,328 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	700	A	\$ 42.09	12,665,028 (1)	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	P	1,150	A	\$ 42.1	12,666,178 (1)	D (1)

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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo
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Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RIGGIO LEONARD 122 FIFTH AVE NEW YORK, NY 10011	X	X	Chairman of the Board	

Signatures

Leonard Riggio 08/04/2005
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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).
- Of these shares (i) 3,082,934 shares are owned indirectly through Barnes & Noble College Bookstores, Inc., a New York corporation of (1) which all of the currently outstanding voting securities are owned by the Reporting Person, and (ii) 712,473 shares are owned indirectly in a rabbi trust established by the Issuer for the benefit of the Reporting Person.

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