

NELSON RONALD L
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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 *
 NELSON RONALD L

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 9 WEST 57TH STREET
 (Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CENDANT CORP [CD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/27/2005

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)
 President and CFO

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock (series designated CD stock)	04/27/2005		M ⁽¹⁾		22,658	A	\$ 0	22,658	I	NQ Deferred Comp Plan (Deferred LTIP Shares)
Common Stock (series designated CD stock)	04/27/2005		F ⁽²⁾		333	D	\$ 19.9	22,325	I	NQ Deferred Comp Plan (Deferred

Common Stock (series designated CD stock)	Date	Type	Quantity	Price	Value	Code	LTIP Shares)
Common Stock (series designated CD stock)	04/27/2005	I	321	\$ 19.9863	40,498	I	NQ Deferred Comp Plan
Common Stock (series designated CD stock)	04/28/2005	I	49,876	\$ 19.978	90,374	I	NQ Deferred Comp Plan
Common Stock (series designated CD stock)					75,000	D	

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Performance - Vesting Stock Options	\$ 0	04/27/2005		M ⁽¹⁾ V	22,658	04/27/2005 ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock (series designated CD stock)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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9 WEST 57TH STREET
NEW YORK, NY 10019

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President and CFO

Signatures

Jean M. Sera, by Power of Attorney for Ronald L.
Nelson

04/29/2005

__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).
- (1) Represents performance vesting restricted stock units which automatically converted to Common Stock (series designated CD stock) upon the vesting of such units on a one-to-one basis.
- (2) Represents tax withholdings in connection with the vesting of 22,658 shares of performance vesting restricted stock units on April 27, 2005.
- (3) Original grant vests in four equal installments on April 27, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008.
- (4) Expiration date not applicable.
- (5) Total reflects adjustment made in connection with the distribution by Cendant of its ownership interest in PHH Corporation to its stockholders.

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