

KANTER HARVEY S  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
KANTER HARVEY S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE

(Street)

IRVING, TX 75063

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MICHAELS STORES INC [MIK]

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

04/13/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP - Chief Merchant

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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  | (D)  | Price   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/13/2006                           |  | M                              |   | 26,666  | A  | \$ 16.65  |
| Common Stock                    | 04/13/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 26,666  | D  | \$ 37.0518  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 30,213  | D  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 3,547   | 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 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 16.65   | 04/13/2006                           |  | M                              | 26,666  | (2) 05/06/2008   | Common Stock  | 26,666                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |                      |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other |
| KANTER HARVEY S<br>8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE<br>IRVING, TX 75063 |               |           | EVP - Chief Merchant |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Todd Thorson Todd Thorson, Attorney-in-Fact for Harvey S. Kanter, Executive Vice President - Chief Merchant 04/14/2006

\_\_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).
- The amount reported consists entirely of 3,547 shares of Michaels Stores, Inc. common stock acquired by the reporting person under the
- (1) Michaels Stores, Inc. Amended and Restated 1997 Employees Stock Purchase Plan (also known as the ESPP), based on a plan statement issued by the ESPP's plan administrator as of March 17, 2006.
  - (2) Exercise of stock options pursuant to original grant to the reporting person on May 7, 2003 of options under the Michaels Stores, Inc. Amended and Restated 1997 Stock Option Plan to purchase 80,000 shares of Michaels Stores, Inc. common stock. The options associated with this grant vest in three annual installments beginning on May 7, 2004. After giving effect to the transaction that is the subject of this report, 26,668 options remain outstanding under this grant, 26,667 of which will vest on May 7, 2006.
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