

SMITH MICHELLE L
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FORM 4

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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 *
 SMITH MICHELLE L

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)
 C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC., 122 FIFTH AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/23/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Human Resources

(Street)
 NEW YORK, NY 10011

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/23/2009		M		5,000	A	\$ 13.7335
Common Stock	03/23/2009		S		5,000	D	\$ 22.1885 <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	03/23/2009		M		5,615	A	\$ 13.7335
Common Stock	03/23/2009		S		5,615	D	\$ 22.5174 <u>(2)</u>

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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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.7335	03/23/2009		M	5,000	(3) 01/04/2010	Common Stock	5,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.7335	03/23/2009		M	5,615	(3) 01/04/2010	Common Stock	5,615

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH MICHELLE L C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC. 122 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10011			VP, Human Resources	

Signatures

/s/ Michelle L. Smith 03/25/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$22.08 to \$22.27, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Barnes & Noble, Inc., any security holder of Barnes & Noble, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (1) and (2) to this Form 4.
- (1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$22.49 to \$22.55, inclusive.
 - (2) The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 14,153 shares, became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on January 5, 2001, which was the first anniversary of the date on which the option was granted.

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