

DEPARTMENT 56 INC

Form 3

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SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Date of Event
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 (Last) (First) (Middle) (Month/Day/Year)
 09/28/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DEPARTMENT 56 INC [DFS]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 5. If Amendment, Date Original
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 ____X____ Officer ____ Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group
 Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ____X____ Form filed by One Reporting
 Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One
 Reporting Person

LENOX INC., 100 LENOX
 DRIVE

(Street)

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ 08648

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially
 owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

