WIRTZ WILLIAM W

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A WIRTZ WI	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALBERTO CULVER CO [ACV]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 680 N. LAK FLOOR	(Month/I	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/27/2005			_X_ Director Officer (gives	109	% Owner ner (specify	
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative S	Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) or l of (D)	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)
Common Stock					` ,	873,000	I	FN1 (1)
Common Stock						25,312	D	

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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. Transactic 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)		3 S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.725	01/27/2005		A	3,750	(2)	01/26/2015	Common Stock	3,750	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WIRTZ WILLIAM W 680 N. LAKE SHORE DRIVE 19TH FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60611	X					

Signatures

/James M. Spira/Attorney-in-fact for William W. Wirtz 01/28/2005

**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) Owned by the Wirtz Corporation of which William W. Wirtz is President, Director and Shareholder.***
- (2) The option, which was granted under the 2003 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors, vests in four equal annual installments beginning on January 26, 2006.

Remarks:

***The filing of this report shall not be deemed an admission by me that I am the beneficial owner of these securities for purp Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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