

TOULANTIS MARIE  
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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 \*  
TOULANTIS MARIE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O  
BARNESANDNOBLE.COM, 76  
NINTH AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10011

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BARNES & NOBLE INC [BKS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/09/2006

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)  
CEO- barnesandnoble.com

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 or Price		
Common Stock	01/09/2006		M		\$ 198,455 (1) A 21.6697 (1)	D	
Common Stock	01/09/2006		S		\$ 198,455 D 42.5641 (2)	D	
Common Stock	01/10/2006		M		\$ 21,183 (1) A 24.5524 (1)	D	
Common	01/10/2006		M		\$ 1,545 (1) A	D	

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Stock					21.6697		
					<u>(1)</u>		
					\$		
Common Stock	01/10/2006		M	10,572	A	18.3702	49,540 D
				<u>(1)</u>		<u>(1)</u>	
						\$	
Common Stock	01/10/2006		S	33,300	D	42.2616	16,240 D
						<u>(3)</u>	

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.6697 <u>(1)</u>	01/09/2006		M	198,455 <u>(1)</u>	06/03/2004	06/02/2014	Common Stock	198,455 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.5524 <u>(1)</u>	01/10/2006		M	21,183 <u>(1)</u>	03/03/1999 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/02/2008	Common Stock	21,183 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.6697 <u>(1)</u>	01/10/2006		M	1,545 <u>(1)</u>	06/03/2004	06/02/2014	Common Stock	1,545 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.3701 <u>(1)</u>	01/10/2006		M	10,572 <u>(1)</u>	03/09/2002 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/08/2009	Common Stock	10,572 <u>(1)</u>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TOULANTIS MARIE C/O BARNESANDNOBLE.COM 76 NINTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10011			CEO- barnesandnoble.com	

## Signatures

/s/ Marie J.

Toulantis

01/11/2006

\*\*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 number of shares subject to such options and the related exercise price have been adjusted to reflect the Issuer's spin-off transaction effected on November 12, 2004 which divided all outstanding exercise prices by 1.41534 and multiplied all related shares by the same number.
- (1) Represents the sale of 198,455 shares in 13 transactions at prices ranging from \$42.49 to \$42.88 per share, resulting in a weighted average sale price per share of \$42.5641.
  - (2) Represents the sale of 33,300 shares in 4 transactions at prices ranging from \$42.25 to \$42.45 per share, resulting in a weighted average sale price per share of \$42.2616.
  - (3) One-fourth of these options became exercisable on March 3 of each of the years 1999 through 2002.
  - (4) One-half of these options became exercisable on March 9 of each of the years 2002 and 2003.

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