SUPREME INDUSTRIES INC Form DEF 14A March 17, 2005

### SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

#### PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(A) OF THE

### SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_)

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&nbsp SUPREME INDUSTRIES, INC.

### (NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

#### (Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than the Registrant)

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#### SUPREME INDUSTRIES, INC.

2581 East Kercher Road

#### P.O. Box 237

#### Goshen, IN 46528

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

#### To Be Held May 3, 2005

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#### SUPREME INDUSTRIES, INC.:

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The annual meeting of shareholders of Supreme Industries, Inc. (the "Company") will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott, 19 East, Goshen, Indiana on May 3, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time for the following purposes:

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1. To elect nine directors to serve until the next annual meeting of shareholders and until their respective successors sha and qualified;

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2. To ratify the selection of Crowe Chizek and Company LLC as Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm; and

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3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting and any adjournment thereof.

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Information regarding matters to be acted upon at this meeting is contained in the accompanying Proxy Statement. Only share record at the close of business on March 7, 2005 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting and any adjournment there

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All shareholders are cordially invited to attend the meeting. Whether or not you plan to attend, please complete, sign, and retu enclosed proxy in the accompanying addressed envelope for which postage is prepaid. You may revoke the proxy at any time commencement of the meeting.

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Goshen	, Indiana								William	n J. Barre	tt		
March 1	17, 2005								Secretary				

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR STOCK BE REPRESENTED AT THE MEETING, REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER YOU HOLD. PLEASE COMPLETE, SIGN, AND RETURN PROMPTLY THE ENCLOSED PROXY IN THE ACCOMPANENVELOPE, WHETHER OR NOT YOU INTEND TO BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

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### SOLICITATION OF PROXIES

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This Proxy Statement and accompanying Proxy are furnished to shareholders in connection with the solicitation of proxies by Directors of Supreme Industries, Inc. (the "Company") for use at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at the Courty Marriott, 1930 Lincolnway East, Goshen, Indiana, on May 3, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, or at any adjournment Notice of Meeting, the form of Proxy, and this Proxy Statement are being mailed to the Company's shareholders on or about M

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The expense of proxy solicitation will be borne by the Company. Although solicitation is to be made primarily through the ma Company's officers and/or employees and those of its transfer agent may solicit proxies by telephone or personal contact, but no additional compensation will be paid by the Company for such solicitation material regarding the meeting to beneficial ow Company's Common Stock, and in such event the Company will reimburse them for all accountable costs so incurred.

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A copy of the Annual Report to Shareholders of the Company for its fiscal year ended December 25, 2004, is being mailed wi Statement to all such shareholders entitled to vote, but does not form any part of the information for solicitation of proxies.

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### **RECORD DATE AND VOTING SECURITIES**

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The Board of Directors of the Company has fixed the close of business on March 7, 2005, as the record date for determination shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting. As of the record date, there were 10,105,328 shares of Cl Stock and 2,109,133 shares of Class B Common Stock of the Company issued and outstanding. The presence, in person or by holders of a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock as of the record date is necessary to constitute a c Annual Meeting with respect to matters upon which both classes of Common Stock are entitled to vote.

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#### ACTION TO BE TAKEN AND VOTE REQUIRED

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Action will be taken at the meeting to elect a Board of Directors and to ratify the selection of Crowe Chizek and Company LL Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. The proxy will be voted in accordance with the directions specified thereon, in accordance with the judgment of the persons designated as proxies. Any proxy on which no directions are specified will be election of directors named herein, and otherwise in accordance with the judgment of the persons designated as proxies. Any proxy on the enclosed proxy may nevertheless revoke it at any time prior to the actual voting thereof by filing with the Secret Company either a written instrument expressly revoking it or a duly executed proxy bearing a later date. Furthermore, such per nevertheless elect to attend the meeting and vote in person, in which event, the proxy will be suspended.

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The Company's Certificate of Incorporation authorizes two classes of \$.10 par value Common Stock (designated Class A and well as one class of \$1.00 par value preferred stock. No shares of the preferred stock are outstanding. In voting on all matters of come before the meeting, a shareholder of either Class A or Class B Common Stock will be entitled to one vote, in person or be each share held in his name on the record date, except that the holders of Class A Common Stock shall be entitled to elect that (rounded down) of directors equal to the total number of directors to be elected divided by three, i.e., three directors, and the h B Common Stock shall be entitled to elect the remaining directors. The election of three directors by the holders of the Class A Stock requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of Class A Common Stock represented in person or by proxy at which a majority of the outstanding Class A shares is present. The ratification of the selection of auditors requires the affirmate holders of a majority of the Common Stock present, in person or by proxy, at the annual meeting. The Certificate of Incorporation prohibits cumulative voting.

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### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

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The following tabulation sets forth the names of those persons who are known to Management to be the beneficial owners as a 2005 of more than five percent of the Company's Class A or Class B Common Stock. Such tabulation also sets forth the numb the Company's Class A or Class B Common Stock beneficially owned as of March 7, 2005 by all of the Company's directors a (naming them) and all directors and officers of the Company as a group (without naming them). Persons having direct benefic of the Company's Common Stock possess the sole voting and dispositive power in regard to such stock. Class B Common Stoc convertible on a one-for-one basis into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock, and ownership of Class B shares be beneficial ownership of Class A shares under Rule 13d-3(d)(1) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. As 2005, there were 10,105,328 Class A shares and 2,109,133 Class B shares outstanding.

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The following tabulation also includes Class A shares covered by options granted under the Company's 1998, 2001 and 2004 S Plans, which options are collectively referred to as "Stock Options". The Stock Options have no voting or dividend rights.

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Name and Address		Ti	tle		An	nount an	d Nature	e of	
of Beneficial Owner		Cla	ass		Be	eneficial	Ownersh	nip	
Wellington Management Company, LLP		Clas	ss A		1,018,0	00			
75 State Street									
Boston, MA 02109									
Wilen Management Company, Inc.		Clas	ss A		689,363	5			
2360 West Joppa Road, Suite 226									
Lutherville, MD 21093									
		Clas	ss A		597,530	)			

Eubel Brady & Suttman Asset Management,

Inc., Ronald L. Eubel, Mark E. Brady, Robert J.							
Suttman, William E. Hazel, and Bernard J.							
Holtgrieve							
7777 Washington Village Drive, Suite 210		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
Dayton, OH 45459		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
William J. Barrett		Class A		1,322,435 (2)(4)(6)			
636 River Road		Class B		625,296 (4)			
Fair Haven, NJ 07704		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
Herbert M. Gardner		Class A		963,853 (2)(3)(6)			
636 River Road                   Class B                   545,914 (3)							
Fair Haven, NJ 07704		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
Thomas Cantwell		Class A		717,721 (2)(6)			
#1 McGill St., Apt. 1010		Class B		700,946			
Montreal, Quebec, Canada H2Y 4A3		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
Omer G. Kropf		Class A		673,056 (2)			
2581 East Kercher Road							
Goshen, IN 46528		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
		&nbs	%				
Robert J. Campbell		Class A		137,151 (2)(5)(6)			
15690 Treasure Cove		Class B		44,044			
Bullard, TX 75757		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
		&nbs	%	&nb	sp		
Robert W. Wilson		Class A		112,085 (2)			

2581 East Kercher R	bad										
Goshen, IN 46528											
&n	osp										
H. Douglas Schrock				Cla	ss A		89,730	(2)			
68143 Clunette Stree											
New Paris, IN 46553											
&1	osp										
Mark C. Neilson				Cla	ss A		2,833 (2	2)			
1361 Bridgewater W	ıy										
Mishawaka, IN 4654	5										
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of (8) persons					Cla	ss B		1,916,2	00 (3)(4)				
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\* Less than 1%

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(1) The percentage calculations have been made in accordance with Rule 13d-3(d)(1) promulgated under the Securities Excha 1934. In making these calculations, shares beneficially owned by a person as a result of the ownership of Stock Options, or ow Class B Common Stock, were deemed to be currently outstanding solely with respect to the holders of such options or Class B

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a result of the ownership of Stock Options under the Company's 1998, 2001 and 2004 Stock Option Plans.

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									Options			
			Omer G	. Kropf					118,002			

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			Herbert M. Gard	lner					94,875			
			William J. Barrett						94,875			
			Robert W. Wilson						84,464			
			Robert J. Campb	pell					16,775			
			Thomas Cantwe	11					16,775			
			H. Douglas Schr	ock					5,499			
			Mark C. Neilson					1,833				
			All directors and	as a grou	р			433,098				

(3) Includes 9,663 shares of Class A Common Stock and 56,592 shares of Class B Common Stock owned by Mr. Gardner's ward Gardner has disclaimed beneficial ownership of these shares.

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(5) Includes 410 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially by Mr. Campbell's wife, as custodian for their children has disclaimed beneficial ownership of these shares.

&nbsp &nbsp(6) Includes the number of shares of Class A Common Stock which are deemed to be beneficially owned as a result of ownersClass B Common Stock, which Class B shares are freely convertible on a one-for-one basis into Class A shares.

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Depositories such as The Depository Trust Company (Cede & Company) as of March 7, 2005 held, in the aggregate, more tha Company's then outstanding Class A voting shares. The Company understands that such depositories hold such shares for the various participating brokers, banks, and other institutions which are entitled to vote such shares according to the instructions beneficial owners thereof. The Company has no reason to believe that any of such beneficial owners hold more than 5% of the outstanding voting securities.

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### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

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Nine directors are to be elected at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy holders will vore received by them for the nominees shown below for the term of one year and until their successors are duly elected and have a Company's Board of Directors is currently comprised of nine members. Of the persons named below, Messrs. Schrock, Neilschave been nominated for election by the holders of Class A Common Stock, and the remaining persons have been nominated the holders of Class B Common Stock. The nominees for election by holders of Class A Common Stock were recommended to Directors by a majority of the independent directors of the Board.

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Messrs. Gardner, Barrett, Kropf and Wilson were the executive officers of the Company as of December 25, 2004. Officers ar annually by the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting of Directors held immediately following the Annual Meeting of Sha

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Although it is not contemplated that any nominee will be unable to serve as a director, in such event the proxies will be voted thereof for such other person as may be designated by the current Board of Directors. The Management of the Company has n believe that any of the nominees will be unable or unwilling to serve if elected to office, and to the knowledge of Managemen intend to serve the entire term for which election is sought.

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There are no family relationships by blood, marriage, or adoption between any director or executive officer, except Mr. Schroe Barrett's brother-in-law.

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Only nine nominees for director are named, even though the Company's bylaws allow a maximum of fifteen, since the propose board is deemed adequate to meet the requirements of the Board of Directors. The proxies given by the Class A shareholders of for more than three persons and the proxies given by Class B shareholders cannot be voted for more than six persons. The info forth below with respect to each of the nominees has been furnished by each respective nominee.

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Name, Age, and Business Experience Herbert M. Gardner, 65 Executive Vice President of Barrett-Gardner Associates, Inc., an investment banking firm since November 2002 an previously Senior Vice President of Janney Montgomery Scott LLC, investment bankers; Chairman of the Board of the Company since 1979 and President of the Company since June 1992. Director of Rumson-Fair Haven Bank an Trust Company, a New Jersey state independent, commercial bank and trust company; Also a Director of N Horizons Electronics Corp., an electronic component distributor; TGC Industries, Inc., a company engaged in th geophysical services industry; Co-Active Marketing Grou Inc., a marketing and sales promotion company.						nery ard of any nk and r of Nu t d in the							
Omer C	6. Kropf,	63							1984			Executi	ve Vice Pr
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William	n J. Barre	tt, 65							1979				ve Vice Pr
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Vice President of Janney Montgomery Scott LLC, investment bankers; Secretary and Assistant Treasurer of the Company and a Director since 1979. Chairman of the Board and Director of Rumson-Fair Haven Bank and Trust Company, a New Jersey state independent, commercial bank and trust company; and a Director of TGC Industries, Inc., a company engaged in the geophysical services industry.

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# COMMITTEES AND MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS; INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

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The Board of Directors has an Executive Committee comprised of Dr. Cantwell and Messrs. Gardner, Barrett, and Kropf, an A Committee comprised of Dr. Cantwell and Messrs. Neilson, Campbell and Borden, and a Stock Option Committee comprised Cantwell and Messrs. Gardner and Barrett.

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The Executive Committee, which met four times during the year ended December 25, 2004, is charged by the Company's byla responsibility of exercising such authority of the Board of Directors as is specifically delegated to it by the Board, subject to c limitations contained in the bylaws.

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The Audit Committee met four times during the year ended December 25, 2004. The purpose and functions of the Audit Commappoint or terminate the independent auditors; evaluate and determine compensation of the independent auditors; review the se audit proposed by the independent auditors; review year-end financial statements prior to issuance; consult with the independent matters relating to internal financial controls and procedures; and make appropriate reports and recommendations to the Board Effective February 21, 2005, Mr. Rice M. Tilley, Jr. resigned from both the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee of th Effective March 15, 2005, Mr. Arthur M. Borden succeeded Mr. Tilley as a member of both the Board of Directors and the Audit of the Company.

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The Stock Option Committee met twice during the year. The Committee is responsible for awarding Stock Options to key empirication individuals who provide substantial advice or other assistance to the Company so that they will apply their best efforts for the Company.

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The Board of Directors does not have nominating or compensation committees.

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During the year ended December 25, 2004, the Board of Directors held four regularly scheduled meetings. All of the Director attended 75% or more of the total meetings of the Board and of the committees on which they serve.

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The Board of Directors has determined that the following five directors have no material relationship with the Company that with the exercise of independent judgment and are "independent" within the meaning of the American Stock Exchange ("AMI director independence standards: Robert J. Campbell, Dr. Thomas Cantwell, H. Douglas Schrock, Mark C. Neilson and Arthu

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### SUPREME'S AUDIT COMMITTEE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

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The responsibilities of the Audit Committee, which are set forth in the Audit Committee Charter adopted by the Board of Dire providing oversight to the Company's financial reporting process through periodic meetings with the Company's Independent Public Accounting Firm ("independent auditors") and management to review accounting, auditing, internal controls and finance matters. The members of the Audit Committee are independent as defined in Section 121(A) of the listing standards of the Am

Exchange and Rule 10A-3 (b)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "1934 Act"). All members of the Audit Com financially literate and are able to read and understand fundamental financial statements, including a balance sheet, income stat cash flow statement. The Board of Directors has determined that Mr. Neilson qualifies as an "Audit Committee Financial Exp in Section 229.401(h) of the 1934 Act, and his experience and background are described on page 8. The management of the C responsible for the preparation and integrity of the financial reporting information and related systems of internal controls. The Committee, in carrying out its role, relies on the Company's senior management, including senior financial management, and is auditors. The Audit Committee has the authority and available funding to engage any independent legal counsel and any accord expert advisors as necessary to carry out its duties.

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We have reviewed and discussed with senior management the Company's audited financial statements included in the 2004 As Shareholders. Management has confirmed to us that such financial statements (i) have been prepared with integrity and object the responsibility of management and, (ii) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in States of America.

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We have discussed with Crowe Chizek and Company LLC, the Company's independent auditors, the matters required to be di Statement of Auditing Standards ("SAS") No. 61, "Communications with Audit Committees." SAS No. 61 requires the Comp independent auditors to provide us with additional information regarding the scope and results of their audit of the Company's statements, including with respect to (i) their responsibility under auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Over (United States), (ii) significant accounting policies, (iii) management's judgments and estimates, (iv) any significant audit adju any disagreements with management, and (vi) any difficulties encountered in performing the audit.

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We have received from Crowe Chizek and Company LLC a letter providing the disclosures required by Independence Standard Standard No. 1, "Independence Discussions with Audit Committees", with respect to any relationships between Crowe Chizek LLC and the Company that in their professional judgment may reasonably be thought to bear on their independence. Crowe C Company LLC has discussed its independence with us and has confirmed in such letter that, in its professional judgment, it is the Company within the meaning of the federal securities laws.

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Based on the review and discussions described above with respect to the Company's audited financial statements included in the 2004 Annual Report to Shareholders, we have recommended to the Board of Directors that such financial statements be include Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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As specified in the Audit Committee Charter, it is not the duty of the Audit Committee to plan or conduct audits or to determine Company's financial statements are complete and accurate and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in States of America. That is the responsibility of management and the Company's independent auditors. In giving our recommens Board of Directors, we have relied on (i) management's representation that such financial statements have been prepared with objectivity and in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, and (ii) the report of the Company's independent respect to such financial statements.

					The Audit Committee:			
					Mark C. Neilson (Chair)			
					Robert J. Campbell			

					Thomas	Cantwel	1						
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### **Principal Accounting Fees and Services**

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The accounting firm of Crowe Chizek and Company LLC ("Crowe Chizek") served as the independent registered public account the Company for the fiscal year ended December 25, 2004. Crowe Chizek has served as auditors for the Company since October 25, 2004.

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*Audit Fees.* The aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by Crowe Chizek for the audit of our annual financial reviews of the financial statements included in our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q were \$132,450 for fiscal 2004 and \$140,29 2003.

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*Audit-Related Fees.* The aggregate fees billed for professional services by Crowe Chizek for assurance and related services related to the audit and review services described under "Audit Fees" above were \$6,930 for fiscal 2004 and \$6,615 for fiscal amounts shown for 2004 and 2003 consist of fees for benefit plan audits.

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*Tax Fees.* The aggregate fees billed for professional services by Crowe Chizek for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning \$251,660 for fiscal 2004 and \$155,495 for fiscal 2003. Services included preparation of federal and state tax returns in fiscal 2003; research and development tax credit studies and preparation of amended federal and state corporate tax returns to claim prior years in fiscal 2004 and fiscal 2003; assistance with ongoing state tax audits in fiscal 2004 and fiscal 2003; assistance with orgonate tax audits in fiscal 2004 and fiscal 2003; assistance with orgonate tax audits in fiscal 2004 and fiscal 2003; assistance related to corporate tax planning or tax compliance matters in fiscal 2004 and fiscal 2003.

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*All Other Fees.* The aggregate fees billed for professional services by Crowe Chizek for services other than those described at \$2,500 for fiscal 2004 and \$18,208 for fiscal 2003. Services include providing assistance related to future compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 fiscal in 2004 and 2003 and due diligence assistance in fiscal 2003.

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The Audit Committee has the sole authority to authorize all audit and non-audit services to be provided by the independent au engaged to conduct the annual audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements. In addition, the Audit Committee has pre-approval policies and procedures that are detailed as to each particular service to be provided by the independent auditors, policies and procedures do not permit the Audit Committee to delegate its responsibilities under the Securities Exchange Act or amended, to management. The Audit Committee pre-approved fees for all audit and non-audit services provided by the independent firm during the fiscal year ended December 25, 2004 as required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of the non-audit services is compatible with maintaining the indep auditor's independence, and has advised the Company that, in its opinion, the activities performed by Crowe Chizek on the Co

are compatible with maintaining the independence of such auditors.

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### **Code of Ethics**

The Company has adopted a Code of Ethics that applies to the Company's Officers and Directors, including the Company's prevecutive officer and principal financial and accounting officer. The code has been posted in the Shareholder Information sect Company's website, www.supremeind.com.

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**EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION** 

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The following table sets forth the compensation paid or accrued by the Company and its subsidiaries for services rendered dur three fiscal years to the Company's chief executive officer and each of the most highly compensated executive officers of the whose cash compensation exceeds \$100,000.

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### **Summary Compensation Table**

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Name and			Annı	ual Comper	nsation				Long Term			
Principal Position		Year		Salary \$		Bonus \$			Compensation			C
Herbert M. Gardner (1)		2004		\$108,000		\$ 69,500		\$			\$	
Chairman of the Board		2003		108,000		59,000						
and President		2002		108,000		72,500						
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William J. Barrett (1)		2004		108,000		69,500						
Executive Vice		2003		108,000		59,000						
President (Long Range		2002		108,000		72,500						
and Strategic Planning)												&
and Secretary												&
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Omer G. Kropf (2)		2004		240,000		124,200						1:
Executive Vice		2003		240,000		92,683						1:

President	t	2002		240,000		109,784						6
Robert W Wilson (3)	V.	2004		150,000		124,200						1
Executiv Vice	e	2003		147,923		92,683						6
President Treasure	, I	2002		135,000		109,784						4
and Chie Financial Officer	1											&
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(1) On January 1, 1993, the Company entered into three-year consulting agreements commencing on January 1, 1993 with Mr Mr. Barrett for financial and advisory consulting services. On September 22, 1994, the Board of Directors approved an amend contracts so that on December 31st of each year the contracts will be extended for an additional year. On May 1, 2003 the Cor replaced the existing consulting agreements by entering into employment contracts with Mr. Gardner and Mr. Barrett. Comme first day of the contract, and each day thereafter, the term of the contracts are automatically extended for one additional day so constant three (3) year term is always in effect. The terms of the employment contracts provide for Mr. Gardner and Mr. Barret a minimum base salary of \$108,000 per year, plus a cash incentive performance fee in the amount of \$36,000 if the pre-tax ear Company exceed \$2,000,000, plus an amount equal to 0.6% of the amount by which such pre-tax earnings exceed \$2,000,000

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(2) On May 1, 1998, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Supreme Corporation, entered into a four-year employment con Mr. Kropf through April 30, 2002. On May 1, 2002, Supreme Corporation entered into a new three-year employment contract Kropf through April 30, 2005. The terms of the employment contract provide for a minimum base salary of \$240,000 per year subject to approval by the Board of Directors, based upon the Company's pre-tax operating performance.

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(3) On January 1, 1998, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Supreme Corporation, entered into a three-year employment with Mr. Wilson through December 31, 2000. On July 1, 2000, amendment number one extended the contract through Decembor On July 1, 2003 Supreme Corporation entered into a new three-year employment contract with Mr. Wilson through June 30, 2 terms of the employment contract provide for a minimum base salary of \$150,000 per year (subject to increase by the determi Board of Directors) plus a bonus subject to approval by the Board of Directors, based upon the Company's pre-tax operating p

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(4) Includes the Company's matching contribution to its Section 401(k) Retirement Plan and payment of premiums for disabilit insurance coverage for the named executives.

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### **Director Compensation**

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Outside directors are paid \$1,500 per board meeting attended and an additional \$6,000 annually. Members of the Audit Comm \$1,500 per meeting. Non-employee members of the Executive Committee are paid \$2,000 per month. Each Director is reimbut out-of-pocket expenses incurred in attending Board or Committee meetings.

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### Aggregate Option/SAR Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year-End Option/SAR Values

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The following table sets forth certain information regarding the year-end value of options held by the Company's executive of the fiscal year ended December 25, 2004. There are no stock appreciation rights outstanding.

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Herbert M. Gardner				\$			94,875		33,000		\$ 207,2
William J. Barrett							94,875		33,000		167,
Omer G. Kropf							118,002		38,501		252,
Robert W. Wilson							84,464		23,834		180,
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provisions of any agreement pursuant to which such 2004 Options will be awarded. The 2004 Stock Option Plan also provides be authorized by the Board of Directors to make cash awards as specified by the Board of Directors to the holder of a 2004 Of connection with the exercise thereof. Subject to the limitation set forth below, the exercise price of the shares of stock covered will be determined by the Committee on the date of award. &nbsp Unless a Holder's option agreement provides otherwise, the following provisions will apply to exercises by the Holder of his o may be exercised during the first twelve months following the date of grant. During the second year following the date of grant one-third of the shares covered thereby may be exercised, and during the third year options covering up to two-thirds of such a Thereafter, and until the options expire, the optionee may exercise options covering all of the shares. Persons over sixty-five of exercise options covering up to one-half of the shares during the first year and thereafter may exercise all optioned shares. Sul just described, options may be exercised as to all or any part of the shares covered thereby on one or more occasions, but, as a cannot be exercised as to less than one hundred shares at any one time. &nbsp The exercise price of the shares of stock covered by each incentive stock option ("ISO"), within the meaning of Section 422 o Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), will not be less than the fair market value of stock on the date of award of such ISO, not be awarded to any person who owns stock possessing more than ten percent (10%) of the total combined voting power of Company, unless the exercise price is at least one hundred ten percent (110%) of the fair market value of the stock at the time the ISO is not exercisable after the expiration of five years from the date it is awarded. &nbsp 15 The exercise price of the shares of Class A Common Stock covered by each 2004 Option that is not an ISO ("NSO") will not a market value of the stock on the date of award of such NSO. &nbsp Payment for Class A Common Stock issued upon the exercise of a 2004 Option may be made in cash or, with the consent of the shares of Class A Common Stock owned by the holder of the 2004 Option for at least six months prior to the date of exercise the Committee, partly in cash and partly in such shares of Class A Common Stock. If payment is made, in whole or in part, with shares of Class A Common Stock, the Committee may issue to such Holder a new 2004 Option for a number of shares equal t delivered by such Holder to pay the exercise price of the previous 2004 Option. The new 2004 Option will have an exercise price of the previous 2004 Option. one hundred percent (100%) of the fair market value of the Class A Common Stock on the date of the exercise of such previou 2004 Option so issued will not be exercisable until the later of the date specified in an individual option agreement or six mon grant. &nbsp In addition, the 2004 Stock Option Plan allows for the cashless exercise of options via the Sale Method. Under the Sale Method the Committee, payment in full of the exercise price of the option may be made through the Company's receipt of a copy of in directing such broker to sell the stock for which the option is being exercised, to remit to the Company an amount equal to the of such option, with the balance being remitted to the holder. &nbsp The duration of each 2004 Option will be for such period as the Committee determines at the time of award, but not for more date of the award (or not more than five years from the date of award if the Holder owns stock representing more than 10% of

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The duration of each 1998 Option will be for such period as the Committee determines at the time of award, but not for more date of the award (or not more than five years from the date of award if the Holder owns stock representing more than 10% of voting power of all classes of stock) in the case of an ISO, and in either case may be exercised in whole or in part at any time time or in installments, as determined by the Committee at the time of award, except that after the date of award, the Committee time or times at which a 1998 Option may be exercised.

In the event of any change in the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock effected without receipt of consider Company, by reason of a stock dividend, or split, combination, exchange of shares or other recapitalization, merger, or otherw Company is the surviving corporation, the aggregate number and class of reserved shares, the number and the class of shares so outstanding 1998 Option, and the exercise price of each outstanding 1998 Option shall be automatically adjusted accurately an effect thereon of such change. Unless a Holder's option agreement provides otherwise, a dissolution or liquidation of the Com consolidations in which the Company is not the surviving corporation, or certain transactions in which another corporation be percent (50%) or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company, shall cause such Holder's 19 outstanding to terminate, but such Holder shall have the right, immediately prior to such transaction, to exercise such 1998 Opt the determination as to the periods and installments of exercisability made pursuant to such Holder's option agreement if (and have not at that time expired or been terminated.

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