PERLMAN LAWRENCE

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 PERLMAN LAWI | · · · | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARBITRON INC [ARB] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|--|---------------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (Fin | rst) (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | |
| 142 WEST 57TH STREET | | (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2005 | XDirector 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | |
| (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | below) below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |
| NEW YORK, NY 10019 | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Acqu | ired, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|----------|---------------|--|---|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit r(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | sposed | d 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 | 12/01/2005 | | Code V M | Amount 1,216 | (D) A | Price \$ 24.1 | 8,039 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 1,216 | D | \$ 39.064 | 6,823 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | | M | 1,197 | A | \$ 26.15 | 8,020 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 1,197 | D | \$ 39.064 | 6,823 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | | M | 837 | A | \$ 32.6 | 7,660 | D | |
| | 12/01/2005 | | S(1) | 837 | D | | 6,823 | D | |

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| Common Stock | | | | | \$ 39.064 | | |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|-----|---|--------------|-------|---|
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | M | 744 | A | \$ 30.23 | 7,567 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | S <u>(1)</u> | 744 | D | \$ 39.064 | 6,823 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | M | 933 | A | \$ 31.7 | 7,756 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | S <u>(1)</u> | 933 | D | \$ 39.064 | 6,823 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | M | 73 | A | \$ 32.75 | 6,896 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2005 | S(1) | 73 | D | \$ 39.064 | 6,823 | D |

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number or 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 Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Share |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 24.1 | 12/01/2005 | | M | 1,216 | 06/30/2001 | 06/30/2011 | Common Stock | 1,2 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 26.15 | 12/01/2005 | | M | 1,197 | 10/01/2001 | 11/22/2009 | Common Stock | 1,1 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 32.6 | 12/01/2005 | | M | 837 | 01/02/2002 | 02/23/2010 | Common Stock | 83 |

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| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 30.23 | 12/01/2005 | M | 744 | 07/01/2002 | 07/01/2012 | Common Stock | 74 |
|---|----------|------------|---|-----|------------|------------|-----------------|----|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 31.7 | 12/01/2005 | M | 933 | 03/31/2003 | 03/31/2013 | Common Stock | 93 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 32.75 | 12/01/2005 | M | 73 | 05/20/2004 | 05/20/2013 | Common Stock | 7: |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| PERLMAN LAWRENCE | | | | | | | |
| 142 WEST 57TH STREET | X | | | | | | |
| NEW YORK, NY 10019 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Dolores L. Cody, Attorney in Fact for Lawrence
Perlman 12/02/2005

**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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b-5 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 25, 2005.

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