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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 \*  
MILLER IRENE R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BARNES & NOBLE INC., 122  
FIFTH AVE

(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)

10/21/2005

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)

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/21/2005		M	21,000 (1) A \$ 8.611 (1)	41,585	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2005		S	9,500 D \$ 36.15	32,085	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2005		S	100 D \$ 36.18	31,985	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2005		S	10,000 D \$ 36.2	21,985	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2005		S	100 D \$ 36.25	21,885	D	

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Common Stock	10/21/2005	S	200	D	\$ 36.27	21,685	D
Common Stock	10/21/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 36.3	20,585	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	<u>21,220</u> (1)	A	<u>\$ 8.611</u> (1)	41,805	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	<u>20,358</u> (1)	A	<u>\$ 12.3204</u> (1)	62,163	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	20,800	D	\$ 36.45	41,363	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	900	D	\$ 36.47	40,463	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	300	D	\$ 36.48	40,163	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	200	D	\$ 36.49	39,963	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	7,800	D	\$ 36.5	32,163	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	300	D	\$ 36.86	31,863	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	578	D	\$ 36.87	31,285	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	700	D	\$ 36.88	30,585	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	200	D	\$ 36.89	30,385	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	5,200	D	\$ 36.9	25,185	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	2,900	D	\$ 36.91	22,285	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 36.92	20,985	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	200	D	\$ 36.93	20,785	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	100	D	\$ 36.94	20,685	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	100	D	\$ 36.95	20,585	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. 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 or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.611 <u>(1)</u>	10/21/2005		M	21,000 <u>(1)</u>	01/16/1998	01/15/2006	Common Stock	21,000 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.611 <u>(1)</u>	10/24/2005		M	21,220 <u>(1)</u>	01/16/1998	01/15/2006	Common Stock	21,220 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.3204 <u>(1)</u>	10/24/2005		M	20,358 <u>(1)</u>	05/31/1997 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/30/2006	Common Stock	20,358 <u>(1)</u>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MILLER IRENE R C/O BARNES & NOBLE INC. 122 FIFTH AVE NEW YORK, NY 10011	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Irene R.  
Miller

10/25/2005

\*\*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).

The number of shares subject to such options and the related exercise price have been adjusted to reflect the Issuer's (i) two-for-one stock split effected on September 22, 1997 and (ii) 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.

(2) One-third of these options became exercisable on May 31 of each of the years 1997 through 1999.

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