

BOTTINI MARK  
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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 \*  
BOTTINI MARK

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

08/24/2012

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)

V.P. and Director of Stores

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Comon Stock	08/24/2012		F	353 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 11.69	D	
Common Stock					574.054 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By 401(k) Plan

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BOTTINI MARK C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC. 122 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10011			V.P. and Director of Stores	

## Signatures

/s/ Eugene V. DeFelice, as Attorney-in-Fact for Mark Bottini 08/28/2012

\*\*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) Shares withheld by the Issuer on vesting of restricted stock to cover applicable withholding taxes.
- Holdings under the Barnes & Noble, Inc. 401(k) Plan are reported in units. Therefore, the securities set forth in Column 5 of Table I are units. The number of units reported herein are based on a plan statement dated as of June 30, 2012. The Barnes & Noble, Inc. 401(k) Plan accounts for interests in the Barnes & Noble, Inc. Stock Fund in units consisting of shares of Barnes & Noble, Inc. common stock and a liquidity component. As a result, the number of underlying shares may fluctuate from time to time.

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