Columbia Equity Trust, Inc.

Form 4 July 07, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

Schissel John A

(Last)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Columbia Equity Trust, Inc. [COE]

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

1750 H STREET, N.W., SUITE 500

07/05/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

WASHINGTON, DC 20006

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

Person

_X__ Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

3.

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(9-02)

10% Owner Other (specify

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Check all applicable)

below) Chief Financial Officer

Estimated average

burden hours per

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and 8. Price o Amount of Derivativ Underlying Security

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Ionth/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	or I (D)	str. 3, 4,	d of			Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 5)
			Code '	V ((A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
LTIP Units	\$ 0 (1)	07/05/2005		A	13	,333		(2)	<u>(3)</u>	Units (4)	13,333	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Schissel John A 1750 H STREET, N.W. SUITE 500 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	X		Chief Financial Officer					

Signatures

/s/ John M. Novack Attorney-in-Fact 07/07/2005

**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 LTIP Units may be converted into units limited partnership interest ("Units") of Columbia Equity, LP, of which the issuer is the general partner, on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The LTIP Units are exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) LTIP Units will expire upon dissolution or expiration of the term of Columbia Equity, LP.
- (4) Units may be redeemed for shares of the issuer's Common Stock on a one-for-one basis or, at the election of the issuer, cash equal to the fair market value of such shares, beginning July 5, 2006.

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