BARNES & NOBLE INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RIGGIO LEONARD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

BARNES & NOBLE INC [BKS]

(Check all applicable)

Chairman of the Board

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

_X__ 10% Owner

C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC., 122 10/15/2007

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Officer (give title below)

__ Other (specify

FIFTH AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10011

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Securi	ities Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie orDisposed o (Instr. 3, 4	f (D) and 5)	uired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	10/15/2007		P	100,000 (1)	A	\$ 38.307 (1)	13,572,197	D (2)	
Common Stock	10/16/2007		P	100,000 (3)	A	\$ 37.9304 (3)	13,672,197	D (2)	
Common Stock	10/17/2007		P	100,000 (4)	A	\$ 38.1877 (4)	13,772,197	D (2)	

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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RIGGIO LEONARD C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC. 122 FIFTH AVENUE	X	X	Chairman of the Board				

Signatures

/s/ Leonard
Riggio

**Signature of Reporting Person

10/17/2007

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) Represents the purchase of 100,000 shares pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 10b-18 in ten separate transactions at per share prices ranging from \$38.1715 to \$38.4358, resulting in a weighted average purchase price per share of \$38.307.
- Of these shares (i) 3,532,934 shares are owned indirectly through Barnes & Noble College Booksellers, Inc., a New York corporation (2) beneficially owned by the Reporting Person, and (ii) 712,473 shares are owned indirectly in a rabbi trust established by the Issuer for the benefit of the Reporting Person.
- (3) Represents the purchase of 100,000 shares pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 10b-18 in eight separate transactions at per share prices ranging from \$37.6326 to \$38.1559, resulting in a weighted average purchase price per share of \$37.9304.
- (4) Represents the purchase of 100,000 shares pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 10b-18 in seven separate transactions at per share prices ranging from \$37.8147 to \$38.4061, resulting in a weighted average purchase price per share of \$38.1877.

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