

CAVANAUGH ROBERT B  
Form 4  
March 24, 2006

**FORM 4**

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

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CAVANAUGH ROBERT B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6501 LEGACY DR

(Street)

PLANO, TX 75024

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/22/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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)
Common Stock of 50 cent Par Value			Code	V Amount (D) Price	5,176.2227	I	By Trustee of 401(k) (1)

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 Number Shares
Mirror Savings Plan	(2)							(2)	(2)	Common Stock	196.8
Options / Right to Buy / Grant	\$ 60.5	03/22/2006		A		35,982 (3)		03/22/2007(4)	03/21/2016	Common Stock	35,982

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
CAVANAUGH ROBERT B 6501 LEGACY DR PLANO, TX 75024	EVP, Chief Financial Officer

## Signatures

Ralph H.  
Richardson\*\*\* 03/24/2006

\_\_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) Equivalent shares based on units of JCPenney stock held by trustee of 401(k) plan, and assigned to my account, as of March 20, 2006, pursuant to plan. Differences in totals reported since last Form 4 or Form 5 represent units acquired by trustee since then in the ordinary course of plan's administration and reflects adjustments made to all equivalent shares in plan, divided among accounts of all participants in plan, all exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Equivalent shares based on units credited under the Company's Mirror Savings Plan I, II, III.
- (3) Employee Stock Option, granted under Rule 16b-3 employee stock option plan.
- (4) One-third of the options can be exercised on 3/22/2007, one-third on 3/22/2008 and one-third on 3/22/2009.

### Remarks:

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\*\*\*Under continuing POA as filed with the S.E.C.

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