BARNES & NOBLE INC

Form 4

October 01, 2009

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 Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

BARNES & NOBLE INC [BKS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(C:tr.)

(First)

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

_X__ Director

X 10% Owner __Other (specify

C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC., 122 09/29/2009

(Street)

(State)

(7:m)

X_ Officer (give title below) Chairman of the Board

FIFTH AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10011

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	Securit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securitie	es Acq	uired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	omr Dispose	d of (I))	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4	and 5)		Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
							Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	(I)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
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Common Stock	09/29/2009		J	667,058 (1)	D	\$ 21.75 (2)	15,942,892 (3)	D (3)	

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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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable Date	Date	11110	of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting of their reality reality	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RIGGIO LEONARD C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC. 122 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10011	X	X	Chairman of the Board				

Signatures

/s/ Leonard 10/01/2009 Riggio **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).
- Shares disposed of by Barnes & Noble College Booksellers, Inc., a New York corporation ("B&N College"), that had been beneficially (1) owned by the Reporting Person and his wife, Louise Riggio, in partial payment of bonuses by B&N College to its management team, prior to the acquisition by the Issuer of B&N College on September 30, 2009 (the "Acquisition").
- Reflects the closing price on the day preceding the date B&N College distributed the shares to its management team, for valuation **(2)** purposes only. No proceeds were received by B&N College with respect to its distribution of the shares.
- Of these shares, 712,473 shares are owned indirectly in a rabbi trust established by the Issuer for the benefit of the Reporting Person, and 4,800,876 shares are owned indirectly through LRBKS Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation beneficially owned by the Reporting Person and Louise Riggio. Prior to the Acquisition, B&N College contributed 4,800,876 shares to LRBKS Holdings, Inc., and immediately thereafter all of the stock of LRBKS Holdings, Inc. was distributed to the Reporting Person and Louise Riggio.

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