

KEATING MARY ELLEN
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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 *
KEATING MARY ELLEN

(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)
Sr. VP Corp. Com. & Pub. Aff.

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) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/24/2012		F	438 ⁽¹⁾ D \$ 11.69	20,497	D	
Common Stock					3,949.177 ⁽²⁾	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 Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				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
KEATING MARY ELLEN C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC. 122 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10011			Sr. VP Corp. Com. & Pub. Aff.	

Signatures

/s/ Eugene V. DeFelice, as Attorney-in-Fact for Mary Ellen Keating 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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