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Form 4 July 15, 2005

FORM 4

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

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

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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 *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LEVINSON SARA

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]

(Check all applicable)

OMB APPROVAL

Expires:

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January 31,

2005

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

165 EAST 72ND STREET, #15E

(State)

07/13/2005

(Month/Day/Year)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

(A)

or

NEW YORK, NY 10021

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

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

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Person

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Month/Day/Year)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security or Exercise

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

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

7. Title and Amount of 8. **Underlying Securities** D (Instr. 3 and 4) Se

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 76.3	07/13/2005		A		5,000		<u>(1)</u>	07/13/2015	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LEVINSON SARA 165 EAST 72ND STREET #15E NEW YORK, NY 10021	X						

Signatures

/s/ Christopher M. Kelly, as attorney-in-fact for Sara Levinson pursuant to a Power of Attorney

07/15/2005

**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) Grant to reporting person of options to purchase 5,000 shares of common stock under the Issuer's Executive Equity Incentive Plan. The options become exercisable in 25% increments on July 13, 2006, July 13, 1007, July 13, 2008 and July 13, 2009.

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