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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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Horowitz-Bonadies Fran

(First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O EXPRESS, INC., ONE

LIMITED PARKWAY

(Street)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

EXPRESS, INC. [EXPR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below) below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

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

COLUMBUS, OH 43230 (City) (State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. Code

TransactionAcquired (A) or (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

4. Securities

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

5. Amount of

6. Ownership Form: Direct (T) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

(A)

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)

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

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

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

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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 |
| Employee Stock Options | \$ 17 | 05/12/2010 | | A | | 50,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 05/12/2020 | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Horowitz-Bonadies Fran C/O EXPRESS, INC. ONE LIMITED PARKWAY COLUMBUS, OH 43230

EVP-Women's Merch & Design

Signatures

/s/ Lacey J. Bundy, Attorney in Fact 05/14/2010

**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) One-quarter of the options vest on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (2) The options were granted and no price was paid therefor.

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