SCHULMAN A INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MITAROTONDA JAMES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

SCHULMAN A INC [SHLM]

(Check all applicable)

C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P., 888 SEVENTH

(First)

(Street)

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

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

07/27/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq					uired, 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	owr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		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	07/27/2006		P	50,000	A	\$ 21.5247	666,424	I	By Barington Companies Offshore Fund, Ltd. (1) (2)		
Common Stock							495,893	I	By Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. (1) (2)		
							360,921	I			

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Common By Barington Stock Investments, L.P. (1) (2)

Common D 2,000 Stock

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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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired			Amount Underly Securitie	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo
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					of (D)						(Instr
				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
									Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MITAROTONDA JAMES A C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P. 888 SEVENTH AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019

Signatures

/s/ James A. 07/31/2006 Mitarotonda

**Signature of Reporting Date Person

2 Reporting Owners

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
 - The Reporting Person's relationship to Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. ("Barington"), Barington Companies Offshore Fund, Ltd. ("Barington Fund") and Barington Companies Advisors, LLC ("Barington Advisors") is described in this footnote. The Reporting Person is the President and CEO of Barington Companies Investors, LLC ("Barington Investors"), which is the general partner of
- (1) Barington. The Reporting Person is the sole stockholder and director of LNA Capital Corp., which is the general partner of Barington Capital Group, L.P. ("Barington Capital"). Barington Capital is the majority member of Barington Advisors, which is the general partner of Barington Investments, L.P. ("Barington Investments"). Barington Capital is also the majority member of Barington Investors as well as the investment advisor of the Barington Fund.
- The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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