

LESTER HOWARD  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**LESTER HOWARD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**WILLIAMS SONOMA INC [WSM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3250 VAN NESS AVENUE

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

03/25/2010

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

**CHAIRMAN & CEO**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/26/2010		J		142	A	\$ 27.1
							504 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	03/25/2010		S		75,000	D	\$ 27.7147 <sup>(2)</sup>
							2,019,895 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	03/29/2010		M		100,000	A	\$ 15
							2,119,895
Common Stock	03/29/2010		S		100,000	D	\$ 26.7928 <sup>(5)</sup>
							2,019,895

by Managed Account

by Trust <sup>(4)</sup>

by Trust

by Trust



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- Reflects the weighted average price as the shares were sold in multiple transactions. The per share transaction price ranged from \$26.75 to
- (5) \$27.00. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
  - (6) The option vested in equal installments on April 25, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005.

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