#### **KEATING MARY ELLEN**

Form 4 May 24, 2011

## 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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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **KEATING MARY ELLEN** Issuer Symbol BARNES & NOBLE INC [BKS] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC., 122 05/23/2011 below) below) Sr. VP Corp. Com. & Pub. Aff.

FIFTH AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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 Person

NEW YORK, NY 10011

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 05/23/2011 A 16,667 Α \$0 25,736 D Stock (1) Common By 401(k)  $3,949.996 \frac{(2)}{}$ Stock 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)

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## **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/ Sheedeh Moayery, as Attorney-in-Fact for Mary Ellen Keating

05/24/2011

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\*\*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 of restricted stock units (payable solely in common stock of the Issuer on each vesting date), with two installments of 25% each vesting on May 23 of each of the years 2013 and 2014 and the remaining 50% vesting on May 23, 2015.
- 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 March 31, 2011. 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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