

SMITH RICHARD A
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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 *
SMITH RICHARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CENDANT CORP [CD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE CAMPUS DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/22/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
CHAIR/CEO REAL ESTATE SVS DIV

(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

PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054

(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 (series designated CD stock)	03/22/2006		M ⁽¹⁾		125,260	A	\$ 9,413
Common Stock (series designated CD stock)	03/22/2006		F		94,391	D	\$ 17.41
Common Stock					77,600	I	Held by NQ Deferred

(series designated CD stock)							Compensation Plan (Deferred LTIP Shares)
Common Stock (series designated CD stock)				516.9	I		Held by NQ Deferred Compensation Plan

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.413	03/22/2006		M ⁽¹⁾	125,260	10/14/1998 05/31/2006	Common Stock (series designated CD stock) 125,2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SMITH RICHARD A ONE CAMPUS DRIVE PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054	CHAIR/CEO REAL ESTATE SVS DIV

Signatures

Lynn A. Feldman, by Power of Attorney for Richard A. Smith 03/24/2006

**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).

Option exercised through net settlement with Cendant Corporation pursuant to which Cendant withheld the number of shares necessary to
(1) cover Mr. Smith's minimum tax withholding and exercise price. Such exercise resulted in the acquisition of 30,869 shares of Cendant common stock by Mr. Smith.

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