

MAFFEI GREGORY B
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>MAFFEI GREGORY B</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC., 122 FIFTH AVENUE</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>NEW YORK, NY 10011</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>09/20/2011</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>BARNES & NOBLE INC [BKS]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
No securities are beneficially owned.	0	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares			

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MAFFEI GREGORY B C/O BARNES & NOBLE, INC. 122 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10011	X			

Signatures

/s/ Eugene DeFelice, as Attorney-in-Fact for Gregory B. Maffei

09/27/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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Remarks:

EXHIBIT LIST - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney for Gregory B. Maffei

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