

MAFFEI GREGORY B  
Form 4  
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# FORM 4

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * - MAFFEI GREGORY B  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O BARNES &amp; NOBLE, INC., 122 FIFTH AVENUE  (Street)  NEW YORK, NY 10011  (City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BARNES &amp; NOBLE INC [BKS]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/12/2012  4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**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)
Common Stock	09/12/2012		A	V A	8,680 \$ 0 16,829	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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
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Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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## 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/ Michelle L. Smith, as Attorney-in-Fact for Gregory B. Maffei 09/14/2012

\*\*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 shares vesting on September 11, 2013.

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