#### LAVIN BERNICE E

Form 4

January 18, 2005

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* LAVIN BERNICE E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALBERTO CULVER CO [ACV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Check all applicable)

C/O ALBERTO-CULVER

COMPANY, 2525 ARMITAGE **AVENUE** 

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/17/2005

\_X\_ Director X\_\_ 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify below)

Vice Chmn, Sec. and Treas.

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MELROSE PARK, IL 60160

(City)	(State)	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4)	osed o	of (D)	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					,		150,300	I	FN3 FN8 (3) (8)
Common Stock							80,010	I	FN5 FN8 (5) (8)
Common Stock	01/17/2005		J	688,265	D	<u>(10)</u>	1,159,361	I	FN7 FN8 (7) (8)
Common Stock	01/17/2005		J	688,265	D	<u>(9)</u>	840,639	I	FN1 FN8 (1) (8)
Common Stock							80,010	I	FN6 FN8 (6) (8)

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Common Stock	80,010	I	FN4 FN8 (4) (8)
Common Stock	80,010	I	FN2 FN8 (2) (8)

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)

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	S	ate	7. Titi Amou Under Secur (Instr	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsinps					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LAVIN BERNICE E						
C/O ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY	X	X	Vice Chmn, Sec. and Treas.			
2525 ARMITAGE AVENUE	Λ	Λ	vice Cillin, Sec. and Treas.			
MELROSE PARK, IL 60160						

## **Signatures**

/James M. Spira/Attorney-in-fact for Bernice E.
Lavin 01/18/2005

\*\*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) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 12/18/87 for the benefit of the undersigned's spouse.\*\*\*

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- (2) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.\*\*\*
- (3) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 10/20/72 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's children.\*\*\*
- (4) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.\*\*\*
- (5) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.\*\*\*
- (6) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.\*\*\*
- (7) Held by the undersigned as a co-trustee of a trust dated 12/18/87 for her benefit.
- On January 21, 2004, the Board of Directors of Alberto-Culver Company approved a 50% stock dividend to holders of record on the close of business on February 2, 2004, payable on February 20, 2004. The transactions and holdings on this Form 4 reflects the 50% stock dividend.
- (9) Transferred by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 12/18/87 for the benefit of the undersigned's spouse to a limited partnership.\*\*\*
- (10) Transferred by the undersigned as a co-trustee of a trust dated 12/18/87 for her benefit to a limited partnership.

#### **Remarks:**

\*\*\*The filing of this report shall not be deemed an admission by the undersigned that she is the beneficial owner of these secu Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.