

WIRTZ WILLIAM W  
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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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WIRTZ WILLIAM W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

680 N. LAKE SHORE DRIVE 19TH FLOOR

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60611

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALBERTO CULVER CO [ACV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					873,000	I	FN1 (1)
Common Stock					25,312	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)

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.725	01/27/2005		A	3,750	<u>(2)</u> 01/26/2015	Common Stock	3,750

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

WIRTZ WILLIAM W  
680 N. LAKE SHORE DRIVE 19TH FLOOR    X  
CHICAGO, IL 60611

## Signatures

/James M. Spira/Attorney-in-fact for William W. Wirtz

01/28/2005

\_\_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) Owned by the Wirtz Corporation of which William W. Wirtz is President, Director and Shareholder.\*\*\*
- (2) The option, which was granted under the 2003 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors, vests in four equal annual installments beginning on January 26, 2006.

### Remarks:

\*\*\*The filing of this report shall not be deemed an admission by me that I am the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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