

BANK OF NEW YORK CO INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
GRIFFITH ALAN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BANK OF NEW YORK CO INC [BK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE WALL STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/09/2005

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

NEW YORK, NY 10286
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) | 03/09/2005 | | J | 2,700 (1) | D \$ 0 | 954,716.94 | D |
| Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) | | | | | | 38,825 | I by GRAT |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 99,320 (2) | I Held by Spouse-Elizabeth |

(Par Value \$7.50)

Stock Units 588,802.67
(3) 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares |
| Options | \$ 30.39 | 03/09/2005 | | A | 40,000 | 03/09/2006 03/09/2015 | Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) 40,000 |
| Options | \$ 30.39 | 03/09/2005 | | A | 40,000 | 03/09/2007 03/09/2015 | Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) 40,000 |
| Options | \$ 30.39 | 03/09/2005 | | A | 40,000 | 03/09/2008 03/09/2015 | Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) 40,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| | X | | Vice Chairman | |

GRIFFITH ALAN R
ONE WALL STREET
NEW YORK, NY 10286

Signatures

Alan R. Griffith

03/10/2005

 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) Cancellation of 2,700 shares without value received.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (3) Represents number of stock units held in employer's stock fund in The Bank of New York Company, Inc. Employee Savings and Investment Plan, formerly the Profit Sharing Plan, as of February 28, 2005.

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