NEW YORK TIMES CO

Form 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * AINSLEY P STEVEN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

CORPORATE CENTER ONE, 2202

(Street)

(State)

12/16/2004

12/16/2004

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

N. WEST SHORE BLVD.

(Month/Day/Year)

below) Group President

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

TAMPA, FL 33607

(City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4)

Α

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

4.887

(A)

39 595

D $7.239^{(2)}$

Class A Common Stock (1)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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
Option 2004 (3)	\$ 39.595	12/16/2004		A	26,120	<u>(3)</u>	12/16/2014	Class A Common Stock	26,120

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Group President

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
AINSLEY P STEVEN							

CORPORATE CENTER ONE 2202 N. WEST SHORE BLVD. TAMPA, FL 33607

Signatures

Solomon B. Watson IV, Attorney-in-Fact for P. Steven
Ainsley

12/20/2004

**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) Consists of Restricted Stock grant pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes 526 Shares acquired under The New York Times Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan") in November 2003 and 549 Shares acquired under the Plan in November 2004.
- (3) Right to buy Class A Common Stock granted under The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests in four annual installments beginning on December 16, 2005.

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