

ABEL JAMES J  
Form 4  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 4**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935  
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940**

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| <p><b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b></p> <p>Abel, James J.</p> <hr/> <p><i>(Last) (First) (Middle)</i></p> <p>The Lamson &amp; Sessions Co.<br/>25701 Science Park Drive</p> <hr/> <p><i>(Street)</i></p> <p>Cleveland Ohio 44122</p> <hr/> <p><i>(City) (State) (Zip)</i></p> | <p><b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b></p> <p>The Lamson &amp; Sessions Co. LMS</p> <hr/> <p><b>4. Statement for Month/Day/Year</b></p> <p>3/19/2003</p> <hr/> <p><b>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director    <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <i>(give title below)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify below)</i></p> <p>Executive Vice President,<br/>Secretary, Treasurer and Chief</p> | <p><b>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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Financial Officer

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* instruction 4(b)(v).

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

| 1. Title of Security<br><i>(Instr. 3)</i> | 2. Transaction Date<br><i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br><i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> | 3. Transaction Code<br><i>(Instr. 8)</i> | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br><i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i> | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br><i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i> | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> |
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|              |          |  | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price   |        |       |
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| COMMON STOCK |          |  |        |        |            | 75,129  | I      | (1)   |
| COMMON STOCK |          |  |        |        |            | 28,866  | D      | (2)   |
| COMMON STOCK | 03/19/03 |  | A      | 740    | A          | \$3.991 | 54,217 | I (3) |

(1) Held under The Lamson & Sessions Co. Deferred Savings Plan (i.e., 401-K Plan) as of February 28, 2003, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

(2) Total includes 4,843 restricted shares, exempt under Rule 16b-3(d)(1), held by issuer until 3-year vesting period, on February 21, 2004 and February 18, 2006 of 2,955 and 1,888 common shares, respectively.

(3) Held in Trust pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan for Executive Officers - a 16b-3 Plan as of March 19, 2003.

**Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
*(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)*

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br><i>(Instr. 3)</i> | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date<br><i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br><i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> | 4. Transaction Code<br><i>(Instr. 8)</i> | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br><i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i> |     |
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**Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned Continued**  
*(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)*

| <b>6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</b><br><i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> | <b>7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities</b><br><i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i> | <b>8. Price of Derivative Security</b><br><i>(Instr. 5)</i> | <b>9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)</b><br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> | <b>10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)</b><br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> | <b>11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership</b><br><i>(Instr. 4)</i> |
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| <b>Date Exercisable</b> | <b>Expiration Date</b> | <b>Title</b> | <b>Amount or Number of Shares</b> |  |  |
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**Explanation of Responses:**

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| /s/ Aileen Liebertz,   | 3/21/2003 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person<br>Aileen Liebertz,<br>Attorney-in-Fact<br>for James J. Abel | Date      |

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