

## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WHITTINGTON MARNA C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director ____ Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner ____ Other (specify below)			
(Last) 2959	(First) BARLEY	(Middle) MILL	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2007						
(Street) YORKLAND, DE 19736			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) YORKLAND			(State) DE			(Zip) 19736			
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		03/31/2007		M	V	564 (1) A	\$ 0	23,344 (2)	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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock Units	(3)	03/31/2007		M	564 (1)	03/31/2007	03/31/2007	Common Stock	564	\$ 0	0	D	
Phantom Stock Units	(3)	03/31/2007		A	413	03/31/2010	03/31/2010	Common Stock	413	\$ 42.54 (4)	413	D	
Phantom Stock Units	(3)	03/31/2007		A	413	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	413	\$ 42.54 (4)	413	D	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHITTINGTON MARNA C 2959 BARLEY MILL ROAD YORKLAND, DE 19736	X			

## Signatures

/s/Christopher M. Kelly, as attorney-in-fact for Marna C. Whittington pursuant to a Power of Attorney	04/02/2007
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) The amount of phantom stock units previously reported was 282, but was adjusted to reflect the 2-for-1 stock split that occurred with respect to the Issuer's common stock on June 9, 2006. The number reported reflects the 1-for-1 conversion of phantom stock units to shares of common stock of the Issuer.
- (2) Includes 14 shares received March 31, 2007 pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Issuer's directors compensation program.
- (3) 1-for-1 conversion.
- (4) The price noted is the average of the value of the stock units granted each month during the quarter for which this report is filed.
- (5) Units are to be received by the reporting person upon termination from the Board of Directors.

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