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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| (Print or Type Responses) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1. Name and Address of Repo LEVINSON SARA | 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) XDirector10% Owner Officer (give title below)Other (specify below) | | | | | |
| (Last) (Fi C/O WOMENS GROUP 15TH FL | 3. Date of Earliest 7 04/09/2007 | Fransaction | (Mo | nth/Day/Y | (ear) | | | | | | | |
| ^{(Str} NEW YORK, NY 10017 | | 4. If Amendment, I | Date Origina | al Filo | ed(Month/E | ay/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) (St | tate) | (Zip) | Т | able I - No | n-De | rivative S | Securiti | red, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | of (D) | Beneficially Owned Following | Ownership of In Form: Ben Direct (D) Own | Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | | 04/09/2007 | | М | | 3,500 | A | \$ 19.125 | 6,622 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | 04/09/2007 | | S | | 3,500 | D | \$ | 3,122 | 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 | 2. | 3. Transaction | 3A. Deemed | 4. | | 5. N | lumber | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Title and | l | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10. | 11. Nature |
| Derivative | Conversion | Date | Execution Date, if | Transaction o | | of | | Expiration Date | | Amount of | | Derivative | Derivative | Ownership | of Indirect |
| Security | or Exercise | (Month/Day/Year) | any | Code | Code Derivative | | (Month/Day/Year) | | Underlying | | Security | Securities | Form of | Beneficial | |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Securities | | | | | | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially | Derivative | Ownership | | |
| | Derivative | | | Acquired | | | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | - | (Instr. 4) | | |
| | Security | | | (A) or | | | | | | | 0 | Direct (D) | | | |
| | | | | Disposed | | | | | | | 1 | or Indirect | | | |
| | | | | of (D) | | | | | | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | (1) (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | | (IIISU. 4) | (11150.4) | | | |
| | | | | and 5) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | Amount | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | or Number | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | | of | | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | | | | Shares | | | | |
| Options | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| to | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | |
| Purchase | \$ 19.125 | 04/09/2007 | | М | | | 3,500 | (2) | 05/16/2007 | Common | / | \$ 0 | 0 | D | |
| Common | <u>(1)</u> | | | | | | <u>(1)</u> | | | Stock | <u>(1)</u> | | | | |
| Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| STOCK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Reporting Owners

| | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| LEVINSON SARA C/O WOMENS GROUP INC 733 THIRD AVE 15TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10017 | х | | | | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/Christopher M. Kelly, as attorney-in-fact for Sara Levinson pursuant to a Power of Attorney | 04/10/2007 |
|--|------------|
| 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) This option grant was previously reported as covering a total of 3,500 shares at an exercise price of \$38.25, but was adjusted to reflect the Issuer's stock split that occurred on June 9, 2006.

(2) The options became exercisable as follows: 1,750 on May 16, 2000 and 1,750 on May 16, 2001.

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