BOOKS A MILLION INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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Form 5

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading COCHRAN SANDRA B Issuer Symbol BOOKS A MILLION INC [BAMM] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify 402 INDUSTRIAL LANE, C/O 12/12/2008 below) below) **BOOKS A MILLION** PRESIDENT & CEO / SEE REMARKS **BELOW** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211 Person

share

| (City) | (State) | Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose | d of (D) | 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, \$0.01 par value per | 12/12/2008 | | P <u>(1)</u> | 136 | A | \$ 1.959 (2) | 322,235 (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 | f 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Titl | le and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Derivativ | e Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | ınt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | /Year) | Under | rlying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivativ | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
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| | | | | Code v | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Kelationsnips | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| COCHRAN SANDRA B | | | | | | | |
| 402 INDUSTRIAL LANE | X | | DDECIDENT & CEO | SEE REMARKS BELOW | | | |
| C/O BOOKS A MILLION | Λ | | PRESIDENT & CEO | SEE REMARKS BELOW | | | |
| BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

MARTIN R. ABROMS, BY POWER OF **ATTORNEY**

12/16/2008

**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).
- The purchase reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December **(1)** 3, 2008, which plan became effective on December 7, 2008.
- This price represents the weighted average purchase price for multiple transactions reported on this line. The prices of the transactions (2) reported on this line ranged from \$1.90 to \$1.98 per share. Upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, the reporting person will undertake to provide full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- Includes 213,716 unvested shares of restricted stock that vest as follows: January 31, 2009 (40,711 shares), January 31, 2010 (23,005 (3) shares), January 31, 2011 (120,000 shares), and January 31, 2012 (30,000 shares).

Remarks:

The reporting person may be deemed to be a member of a "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act) which owns more than 10% of the Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of the Iss The reporting person does not have (i) any direct or indirect pecuniary interest in or (ii) the power to vote or dispose of, or the power to direct the vote or disposition of, any Common Stock of the Issuer held by any other person, including,

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without limitation, any other person who may be deemed to be a member of such group. Accordingly, the reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities of the Issuer held by any other person, including, without limitation, any other person who may be deemed to be a member of such group, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 under the Securities Exchange Act or otherwise.

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