

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 COLE THOMAS L

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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice Chair

C/O FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC, 7 WEST SEVENTH STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/28/2007		M		32,500 A \$ 14.285	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S		1,000 D \$ 45.64	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S		900 D \$ 45.69	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S		7,100 D \$ 45.7	D	
	03/28/2007		S		2,300 D \$ 45.71	D	

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Common Stock									
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	1,400	D	\$ 45.72	98,866	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	900	D	\$ 45.73	97,966	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	1,900	D	\$ 45.74	96,066	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	6,400	D	\$ 45.75	89,666	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	5,200	D	\$ 45.76	84,466	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	100	D	\$ 45.77	84,366	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	500	D	\$ 45.78	83,866	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	500	D	\$ 45.79	83,366	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	1,300	D	\$ 45.8	82,066	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	800	D	\$ 45.81	81,266	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	700	D	\$ 45.82	80,566	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		S	1,500	D	\$ 45.86	79,066	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2007		I	8,950 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 45.33	0	I	By 401(k) Plan

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,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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and 5)

	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options to Purchase Common Stock				M	03/28/2007	03/28/2013	Common Stock	32,500 (2)
					\$ 14.285 (2)			32,500 (2)

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

COLE THOMAS L  
C/O FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC  
7 WEST SEVENTH STREET  
CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Vice Chair

## Signatures

/s/Christopher M. Kelly, as attorney-in-fact for Thomas L. Cole pursuant to a Power of Attorney

03/30/2007

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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).  
Reflects the withdrawal of the reporting person's balance from his account in the Issuer's 401(k) plan, and derived by dividing the value of  
(1) the undivided interest of the reporting person in the applicable investment fund as of March 28, 2007 by \$45.33, the stock price as of such date.  
(2) This option grant was perviously reported as covering a total of 65,000 shares at an exercise price of \$28.57, but was adjusted to reflect the Issuer's stock split that occurred on June 9, 2006.

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