LEVINSON SARA Form 4

January 04, 2005

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **LEVINSON SARA**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]

(Check all applicable)

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(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O WOMENS GROUP INC. 733 THIRD AVE 15TH FL

(First)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

D

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10017

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Price Code V Amount (D)

Common 12/31/2004 Stock

\$0 M 137 A $1,561 \frac{(1)}{2}$

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		1 S (
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	12/31/2004	M		137	12/31/2004	12/31/2004	Common Stock	137	
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	12/31/2004	A	192		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	192	3

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/Padma Tatta Cariappa, as attorney-in-fact for Sara Levinson pursuant to a Power of Attorney

01/04/2005

**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) Includes 2 shares received December 31, 2004 pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Issuer's directors compensation program.
- (2) 1-for-1 conversion.
- (3) Units are to be settled in Common Stock upon the Reporting Person's termination from the Board of Directors.
- (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.

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