WILLETTS FREDERICK III

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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WILLETTS FREDERICK III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES INC [COOP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 201 MARKET	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/27/2005	_X Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Pres., CEO & Chairman of Board		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securitie					equired, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4 and (A) or		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	05/27/2005		S S	Amount 55	D D	\$ 18.6	26,995	I	By Trust (medical)		
Common Stock							146,056	D			
Common Stock							33,705	I	By 401(k)		
Common Stock							2,259	I	By Spouse		
Common Stock							105,465	I	By Trust (Father)		

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Common Stock	1,986	I	by trust for 1st daughter
Common Stock	1,986	I	By trust for 2nd daughter
Common Stock	1,986	I	By Trust for 3rd daughter
Common Stock	666	I	by wife in trust for 3 daughters
Common Stock	31,077	I	by Willetts Building Trust

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 7.29					08/28/1999	08/28/2009	Common Stock	13,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 7.67					12/21/2001	12/21/2011	Common Stock	12,000
	\$ 18					12/29/2004	12/29/2014		10,500

Stock Common
Option Stock
(Right to

Buy) (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WILLETTS FREDERICK III 201 MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, NC 28401

Pres., CEO & Chairman of Board

Relationships

Signatures

/s/ Willetts, III, Frederick 05/31/2005

**Signature of Reporting Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Stock Options fully vested on date of grant.

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