

LAVIN LEONARD H /IL/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 LAVIN LEONARD H /IL/

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ALBERTO-CULVER
 COMPANY, 2525 ARMITAGE
 AVENUE

(Street)

MELROSE PARK, IL 60160

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ALBERTO CULVER CO [ACV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/01/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock					150,300	I	FN3 (3)
Common Stock					80,010	I	FN5 (5)
Common Stock	02/01/2005		S	659,361 D	\$ 52.25 500,000	I	FN7 (7)
Common Stock	02/01/2005		S	340,639 D	\$ 52.25 500,000	I	FN1 (1)
Common Stock					80,010	I	FN6 (6)

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Common Stock	80,010	I	FN4 (4)
Common Stock	80,010	I	FN2 (2)

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, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAVIN LEONARD H /IL/ C/O ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY 2525 ARMITAGE AVENUE MELROSE PARK, IL 60160	X	X		

Signatures

/James M. Spira/Attorney-in-fact for Leonard H. Lavin
Date: 02/02/2005

__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) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 12/18/87 for his benefit.

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- (2) Held by the undersigned's spouse as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.***
- (3) Held by the undersigned's spouse as co-trustee of a trust dated 10/20/72 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's children.***
- (4) Held by the undersigned's spouse as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.***
- (5) Held by the undersigned's spouse as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.***
- (6) Held by the undersigned's spouse as co-trustee of a trust dated 11/14/89 for the benefit of one of the undersigned's grandchildren.***
- (7) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 12/18/87 for the benefit of the undersigned's spouse.***

Remarks:

***The filing of this report shall not be deemed an admission by the undersigned that he is the beneficial owner of these securities.

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