FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHERERTZ NANCY B			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES INC [BBSI]		ionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director	, ,	to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last) 4724 SW MACAD	(First) AM AVENUE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/13/2004		Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)
(Street) PORTLAND	OR	97239	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th	porting	Person
(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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Ad Disposed Of (D			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(111341. 4)
Common Stock	08/13/2004		S		3,300	D	\$15.15	1,239,700	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2004		S		1,300	D	\$15.03	1,238,400(1)	D	

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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative Expi		Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

, as attorney-in-fact

Michael D. Mulholland

** Signature of Reporting Person

08/17/2004

Date

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

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

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^{1.} Reporting person also has indirect beneficial ownership of 3,310 shares held by her minor children, which she disclaims.

^{**} Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).