FORM 4

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES INC [BBSI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
HICKS JAMES	<u> </u>		British Book Book Book	X	Director	10% Owner		
					Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 8100 NE PARKWAY DRIVE SUITE 200		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2006		below)	bolowy		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Ch	eck Applicable Line)		
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(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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	ount (A) or (D) Price		(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/05/2006		S		1	D	\$25.57	8,499	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2006		s		99	D	\$25.58	8,400	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2006		S		400	D	\$25.69	8,000	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2006		S		100	D	\$25.72	7,900	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2006		s		300	D	\$25.94	7,600	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2006		S		100	D	\$25.95	7,500	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		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative	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:

Michael D. Mulholland, as attorney-in-fact

05/09/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

 $Note: File\ three\ copies\ of\ this\ Form,\ one\ of\ which\ must\ be\ manually\ signed.\ If\ space\ is\ insufficient,\ see\ Instruction\ 6\ for\ procedure.$

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