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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 3)  $^{\star}$ 

Barrett Business Services, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value (Title of Class of Securities)

68463 10 8 (CUSIP Number)

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

Them 1: Name of reporting person; S.S. or I.R.S. identification no. of above person:

Nancy B. Sherertz; ###-####

Item 2: Check the appropriate box if a member of a group:

(a)

(b)

Item 3: SEC use only:

Item 4: Citizenship or place of organization:

United States of America

Number of shares beneficially owned by each reporting person with:

Item 5: Sole voting power:

1,540,000

Item 9: Aggregate amount beneficially owned by each reporting

Item 6:

Shared voting power:

Item 7: Sole dispositive power:

Item 8: Shared dispositive power:

1,540,000

0

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1,540,000
Item 10: Check box if the aggregate amount in row (9) excludes
          certain shares:
          N/A
Item 11: Percent of class represented by amount in row 9:
          22.70
Item 12: Type of reporting person:
                               -2-
Item 1(a)
              Name of Issuer:
               Barrett Business Services, Inc.
Item 1(b)
              Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
               4724 S.W. Macadam Avenue
               Portland, Oregon 97201
             Name of Person Filing:
Item 2(a)
              Nancy B. Sherertz
               Address of Principal Business Office, or, if none,
Item 2(b)
               Residence:
               27023 Rigby Lot Road
               Easton, Maryland 21601
Item 2(c)
             Citizenship:
               United States of America
Item 2(d)
             Title of Class of Securities:
               Common Stock, $.01 par value
Item 2(e)
               CUSIP Number:
               68463 10 8
               If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules
Item 3
               13d-1(b) or 13d-2(b), check whether the person
               filing is a:
               Not applicable
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               Ownership.
               The following information is as of December 31,
               1996:
               (a) Amount Beneficially Owned:
                    1,540,000 shares
               (b) Percent of Class:
                    The shares represent 22.70 percent of the
               (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
                           Sole power to vote or to direct the
                           vote: 1,540,000
                    (ii)
                          Shared power to vote or to direct the
                           vote: 0
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(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the

person:

disposition of: 1,540,000

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  $\ensuremath{\text{0}}$ 

Not applicable

Item 6 Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of

Another Person:

Not applicable

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary

which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by

the Parent Holding Company:

Not applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the

Group:

Not applicable

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Not applicable

Item 10 Certification:

Not applicable

## SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete, and correct.

February 13, 1997

/s/ Nancy B. Sherertz

(Signature)

Nancy B. Sherertz

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