

Rankin Norman John
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Rankin Norman John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BIG LOTS INC [BIG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 300 PHILLIPI ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/16/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check 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. 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	01/16/2007		M		9,500	A	\$ 16.375 23,700
Common Stock	01/16/2007		M		25,000	A	\$ 17.3125 48,700
Common Stock	01/16/2007		M		10,000	A	\$ 11.25 58,700
Common Stock	01/16/2007		M		30,000	A	\$ 11.74 88,700
Common Stock	01/16/2007		S ⁽¹⁾		74,500	D	\$ 26 14,200

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Common Stock 1,442 I By 401(k) Plan ⁽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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 16.375	01/16/2007		M	9,500	10/13/2003 ⁽³⁾ 10/13/2008	Common Stock	9,500	
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 17.3125	01/16/2007		M	25,000	02/01/2004 ⁽³⁾ 02/01/2009	Common Stock	25,000	
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 11.25	01/16/2007		M	10,000	03/13/2005 ⁽³⁾ 03/13/2010	Common Stock	10,000	
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 11.74	01/16/2007		M	30,000	11/21/2005 ⁽³⁾ 03/05/2011	Common Stock	30,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rankin Norman John 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Chadwick P. Reynolds, attorney-in-fact for Norman John Rankin

01/17/2007

__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) The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) Common stock held under the Big Lots Savings Plan ("401(k) Plan"). This information is based on a 401(k) Plan report dated as of January 8, 2007.
- (3) The date upon which the option became fully exercisable.

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