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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 13D**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. )\***

ARGAN, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.15 par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

746375107

(CUSIP Number)

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December 8, 2006

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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CUSIP No. 746375107

NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:

**1** Richard L. Scott

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

**2**  
(a) ☐  
(b) ☐

SEC USE ONLY:

**3**

SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

**4**  
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CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e):

**5**  
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CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

**6**  
United States

SOLE VOTING POWER:

**7**

NUMBER OF 1,000,000

SHARED VOTING POWER:

SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY **8**

-0-

EACH REPORTING PERSON	<b>9</b>	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:  1,000,000
WITH	<b>10</b>	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:  -0-

**11** AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:  
  
1,000,000

**12** CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):  
  
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**13** PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):  
  
9.0%

**14** TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):  
  
IN

**Item 1. Security and Issuer**

Common Stock, \$.15 par value (the Common Stock ), of Argan, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Issuer ). The principal executive offices of the Issuer are located at One Church Street, Suite 302, Rockville, MD 20850.

**Item 2. Identity and Background**

This statement is filed by Richard L. Scott (the Reporting Person ).

The business address of the Reporting Person is 700 11th Street S, Suite 101, Naples, Florida 34102.

The Reporting Person is a private investor.

The Reporting Person has not been convicted in any criminal proceedings during the five years preceding the filing of this report.

During the five years preceding the filing of this report, the Reporting Person has not been a party to any civil proceedings of a judicial or administrative body which has resulted in any judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

The Reporting Person is a United States citizen.

**Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration**

The Reporting Person has used personal funds of approximately \$3,750,000 to acquire 1,000,000 shares of Common Stock in a private transaction. The Common Stock was purchased by a limited liability company controlled by the Reporting Person.

**Item 4. Purpose of Transaction**

The Reporting Person purchased the Common Stock in a private transaction for general investment purposes.

Consistent with such purposes, the Reporting Person may seek to engage in future discussions with management of the Issuer and may make suggestions concerning the Issuer's operations, prospects, business and financial strategies, assets and liabilities, business and financing alternatives and such other matters as the Reporting Person may deem relevant to his investment in the Issuer. In addition, the Reporting Person may from time to time, depending on prevailing market, economic and other conditions, acquire additional shares of the Common Stock of the Issuer or engage in discussions with the Issuer concerning further acquisitions of shares of the Common Stock of the Issuer or further investments in the Issuer. The Reporting Person intends to review his investment in the Issuer on a continuing basis and, depending upon the price and availability of shares of the Common Stock, subsequent developments affecting the Issuer, the Issuer's business and prospects, other investment and business opportunities available to the Reporting Person,

general stock market and economic conditions, tax considerations and other factors considered relevant, may decide at any time to increase or to decrease the size of his investment in the Issuer.

Except as set forth above, the Reporting Person does not have any plans or proposals which relate to or would result in (a) the acquisition of additional securities of the Issuer or the disposition of securities of the Issuer, (b) an extraordinary corporate transaction, such as a merger, reorganization or liquidation involving the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries, (c) a sale or transfer of a material amount of assets of the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries, (d) any change in the present board of directors or management of the Issuer, including any plans or proposals to change the number or term of directors or to fill any existing vacancies on the board of directors of the Issuer, (e) any material change in the present capitalization or dividend policy of the Issuer, (f) any other material change in the business or corporate structure of the Issuer, (g) changes in the Issuer's charter, bylaws or instruments corresponding thereto or other actions which may impede the acquisition of control of the Issuer, (h) the delisting from a national securities exchange or termination of quotations in an inter-dealer quotation system of a registered national securities association for any class of capital stock of the Issuer, (i) a class of equity securities of the Issuer becoming eligible for termination of registration pursuant to Section 12(g)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Common Stock, or (j) or any action similar to the foregoing actions listed. The Reporting Person will continue to evaluate the Issuer and his investment therein and may later determine to propose or support any one or more of such actions in the future, to purchase additional shares of the Common Stock or to sell part or all of his holdings of the Common Stock of the Issuer.

#### **Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer**

The 1,000,000 shares of the Common Stock owned by the Reporting Person constitute 9.0% of the outstanding Common Stock of the Issuer, based on the outstanding shares of Issuer Common Stock set forth on the Issuer's most recent Form 10-QSB.

The Reporting Person has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the Common Stock.

The Reporting Person purchased the following shares of the Common Stock of the Issuer in a private transaction:

<b>Purchase Date</b>	<b>No. of Shares</b>	<b>Price Per Share</b>	<b>Aggregate Consideration</b>
12/8/2006	1,000,000	\$ 3.75	\$ 3,750,000

The Common Stock was purchased by Argan Investments, LLC, a member managed limited liability company of which Reporting Person is the controlling member.

**Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer**

On December 8, 2006, an entity controlled by Reporting Person entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with the Issuer whereby the Reporting Person purchased 1,000,000 newly issued shares of Issuer Common Stock. In addition, the parties entered into a Registration Rights Agreement whereby the Issuer is required to register the shares within 120 days of the purchase. The Agreements are attached as exhibits hereto.

Other than as set forth above, the Reporting Person does not have any contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships (legal or otherwise) with any person with respect to any securities of the Issuer, including but not limited to transfer or voting of any of the securities, finder's fees, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of profits, division of profits or loss, or the giving or withholding of proxies.

**Item 7. Material to be Filed As Exhibits**

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| Exhibit 1 | Stock Purchase Agreement dated as of December 8, 2006, between Argan Investments, LLC and Argan, Inc.     |
| Exhibit 2 | Registration Rights Agreement dated as of December 8, 2006 between Argan Investments, LLC and Argan, Inc. |



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.

DATED: December 18, 2006

/s/ Richard L. Scott  
Richard L. Scott