DRESSEL MELANIE J Form 4 July 05, 2005

### FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

DRESSEL MELANIE J				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC [COLB]					C	Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date o (Month/I 06/30/2	ansaction			X Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)  President and CEO					
		(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - No	on-D	erivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Executio any	ned n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securi n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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)	
	Common Stock	06/30/2005			P		181	A	\$ 22.158	3,881 (1)	D		
	Common Stock	12/31/2004			I	V	15	A	\$ 24.7	5,277	I	401(k)	
	Common Stock									46,932	I	Family Trust LLC	
	Common Stock									2,408	I	North Mason Fiber	
	Common Stock									10	I	Shares owned by	

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Common Stock 10 I Shares owned by son.

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secui (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
NQSO (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.2					04/23/2000	04/23/2005	Common Stock	3,310	
ISO (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.77					01/20/2002	01/20/2007	Common Stock	8,488	
NQSO (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.77					01/20/2002	01/20/2007	Common Stock	5,519	
NQSO (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.82					12/03/2003	12/05/2008	Common Stock	12,128	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DRESSEL MELANIE J	X		President and CEO				

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Kristy W. 01/04/2005 House

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

# **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) This was an ESPP purchase.

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