

COOKE GORDON R  
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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 \*  
COOKE GORDON R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE J. JILL GROUP, INC., 4  
BATTERYMARCH PARK

(Street)

QUINCY, MA 02169

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
J JILL GROUP INC [JILL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/03/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership: Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(1)</sup>               | 204,249   | \$ 24.05  | D  |  |

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)**

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| 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date                                   | Title        |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to buy)      | \$ 7.625   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 1,251   | 10/23/2000 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 7.625   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 63,583  | 10/23/2000 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to buy)      | \$ 7.15  | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 27,000  | 09/25/2001 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 7.15  | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 168,000   | 09/25/2001 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 14.133  | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 375,000   | 01/02/2002 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 24.01   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 450,000   | 07/08/2002 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to buy)      | \$ 16.68   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 17,000  | 06/06/2003 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 16.68   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 33,000  | 06/06/2003 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 15.51   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 50,000  | 02/25/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 16.99   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 50,000  | 12/10/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |
| Non-Statutory Stock Option (Right to buy)  | \$ 14.73   | 05/03/2006                           |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>               | 50,000  | 06/20/2005 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/03/2006  | Common Stock |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| COOKE GORDON R<br>THE J. JILL GROUP, INC.<br>4 BATTERYMARCH PARK<br>QUINCY, MA 02169 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Olga L. Conley, Signed as Attorney-in-Fact under "Power of Attorney and Confirming Statement" on file with the Commission.

05/05/2006

\_\_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) Disposed of pursuant to the merger with The Talbots, Inc.  
Options outstanding under the Company's stock plans, whether or not exercisable or vested, were canceled as of the effective time of the merger with The Talbots, Inc. (May 3, 2006) and holders of options are to receive a cash payment (less required tax withholdings) equal to the excess, if any, of \$24.05 over the exercise price of each such option, multiplied by the number of shares of Company Common Stock covered by each such option. The amount shown in column 8 does not reflect any tax withholdings.
  - (2) Date indicated is date of grant. *See* Note (2) above.

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