

ANDERSON JOEL R

Form 4

December 18, 2008

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ANDERSON JOEL R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

202 NORTH COURT STREET

(Street)

FLORENCE, AL 35630

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
BOOKS A MILLION INC [BAMM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/16/2008

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 \_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

SEE REMARKS BELOW

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value per<br>share | 12/16/2008                              |                                                             | P <sup>(1)</sup>                     | 3,397 A                                                                 | \$<br>1.9493<br><sup>(2)</sup>                                                                                     | 1,514,037 D                                                             |                                                                |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value per<br>share |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 83,000                                                                                                             | I                                                                       | BY THE JOEL<br>R. ANDERSON<br>FAMILY<br>FOUNDATION             |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 6) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                        | Title                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                                                         |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ANDERSON JOEL R  
202 NORTH COURT STREET  
FLORENCE, AL 35630

SEE REMARKS BELOW

## Signatures

MARTIN R. ABROMS, BY POWER OF  
ATTORNEY

12/18/2008

\_\_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 purchase reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 3, 2008, which plan became effective on December 7, 2008.
- This price represents the weighted average purchase price for multiple transactions reported on this line. The prices of the transactions
- (2) reported on this line ranged from \$1.86 to \$1.99 per share. Upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, the reporting person will undertake to provide full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.

### Remarks:

The reporting person may be deemed to be a member of a "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act ) which owns more than 10% of the Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of the Issuer.

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The reporting person does not have (i) any direct or indirect pecuniary interest in or (ii) the power to vote or dispose of, or the power to direct the vote or disposition of, any Common Stock of the Issuer held by any other person, including, without limitation, any other person who may be deemed to be a member of such group. Accordingly, the reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities of the Issuer held by any other person, including, without limitation, any other person who may be deemed to be a member of such group, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 under the Securities Exchange Act or otherwise.

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