#### GRIFFITH ALAN R

Form 5

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#### February 07, 2005 **OMB APPROVAL** FORM 5 **OMB** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer GRIFFITH ALAN R Symbol BANK OF NEW YORK CO INC (Check all applicable) [BK] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) \_X\_ Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2004 Vice Chairman ONE WALL STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) NEW YORK, NYÂ 10286 \_X\_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: (Instr. 4) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned at end Direct (D) of Issuer's or Indirect Fiscal Year (I) (A) (Instr. 3 and (Instr. 4) or 4) Amount (D) Price Common Stock Â Â 327.93 961,615.29 D (Par 11/04/2004 L Value

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Retained Annuity Trust	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	38,825 (2)	D	Â
Stock Units	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	582,138.8 (3)	D	Â

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GRIFFITH ALAN R ONE WALL STREET NEW YORK, NY 10286	ÂX	Â	Vice Chairman	Â			

## **Signatures**

Alan R. Griffith 02/03/2005

\*\*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) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.

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These shares were previously reported as directly beneficially owned but were contributed to a grantor retained annuity trust on June 30, 2004.

(3) Represents number of stock units held in employer's stock fund in The Bank of New York Company, Inc. Employee Savings and Investm ent Plan, formerly the Profit Sharing Plan, as of December 31, 2004.

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