

STARK ARTHUR  
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 \*  
STARK ARTHUR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BED BATH & BEYOND INC  
[BBBY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
C/O BED BATH & BEYOND  
INC., 650 LIBERTY AVENUE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/28/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President & CMO

UNION, NJ 07083

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |                                   |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Am Underlying Sec |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
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| Security (Instr. 3)                  | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |                 |              |       |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------|
|                                      |  |                      | Code V          | (A)  | (D)              | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | A N S |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 38.22                                 | 12/28/2006           | D               | 100,000  |                  | (1)              | 04/25/2013      | Common Stock | 1     |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 38.765                                | 12/28/2006           | A               | 100,000  |                  | (1)              | 04/25/2013      | Common Stock | 1     |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 38.515                                | 12/28/2006           | D               | 25,000   |                  | (3)              | 04/17/2014      | Common Stock | 2     |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 38.795                                | 12/28/2006           | A               | 25,000   |                  | (3)              | 04/17/2014      | Common Stock | 2     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                 |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other |
| STARK ARTHUR<br>C/O BED BATH & BEYOND INC.<br>650 LIBERTY AVENUE<br>UNION, NJ 07083 |               |           | President & CMO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Ori Solomon, 12/29/2006  
Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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 Employee Stock Option vests and becomes exercisable in five equal annual installments of 20,000 shares commencing on April 25, 2006.

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- Represents an increase to the exercise price of the option to the fair market value on the deemed new measurement date recommended by the special committee of the Board of Directors of the Issuer in connection with a review of the stock option grants and restricted share awards made by the Issuer. The Reporting Person has agreed he will not receive any payment or other consideration in respect of such adjustment.
- (2)
- (3) The Employee Stock Option vests and becomes exercisable in five equal annual installments of 5,000 shares commencing on April 17, 2009.

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