DILLARDS INC

Form 4

December 16, 2004

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHROEDER PAUL J JR

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

DILLARDS INC [DDS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title)

10% Owner Other (specify

1600 CANTRELL ROAD 12/15/2004

below)

VP, General Counsel 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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)	(A) or			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 Class A	12/15/2004		M	Amount 8,750	(D)	\$ 10.4375	49,727	D	
Common Class A	12/15/2004		F	5,225	D	\$ 26.435	44,502	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)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 10.4375	12/15/2004		M		8,750	12/15/2004	12/15/2005	Common Class A	8,75
Employee Stock Option	\$ 26.435	12/16/2004		A	5,225		12/15/2004	12/15/2005	Common Class A	5,22

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHROEDER PAUL J JR 1600 CANTRELL ROAD LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

VP, General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Paul J. Schroeder, Jr.

**Signature of Reporting Date
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).

Remarks:

4,219 Shares - Retirement Plan

Col 5 includes 1,118 shares of Class

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