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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WILLIAMS JOHN H JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEIN MART INC [SMRT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(=			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
STEIN MARTIN INC, 1200 RIVERPLACE BLVD			07/07/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
				below) below) Vice Chairman		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
JACKSONV	ILLE, FL 32	2207		_X_ 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities A order Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Amount (D)	(D) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value	07/07/2005			25,000 A		125,000	D		
Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value	07/07/2005		S	25,000 D	\$ 23.16	100,000	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (to purchase)	\$ 13.8125	07/07/2005		M	25,000 (1)	(2)	03/14/2007	Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value	25,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WILLIAMS JOHN H JR STEIN MARTIN INC 1200 RIVERPLACE BLVD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207

Vice Chairman

Signatures

/s/ John H. 07/08/2005 Williams, 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).
- (1) Shares exercised and sold in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan.
- (2) Granted pursuant to Stein Mart, Inc. Employee Stock Option Plan. Shares vest 33% @ 3rd yr, 33% @ 4th yr & 34% @ 5th yr.

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