

BANK OF NEW YORK CO INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 GRIFFITH ALAN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 BANK OF NEW YORK CO INC  
 [BK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 ONE WALL STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/09/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Vice Chairman

NEW YORK, NY 10286

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 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 (Par Value \$7.50)	03/09/2005		J	2,700 (1)	D \$ 0	954,716.94	D
Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50)						38,825	I by GRAT
Common Stock						99,320 (2)	I Held by Spouse-Elizabeth

(Par Value \$7.50)

Stock Units 588,802.67  
(3) 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Options	\$ 30.39	03/09/2005		A	40,000	03/09/2006 03/09/2015	Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) 40,000
Options	\$ 30.39	03/09/2005		A	40,000	03/09/2007 03/09/2015	Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) 40,000
Options	\$ 30.39	03/09/2005		A	40,000	03/09/2008 03/09/2015	Common Stock (Par Value \$7.50) 40,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
	X		Vice Chairman	

GRIFFITH ALAN R  
ONE WALL STREET  
NEW YORK, NY 10286

## Signatures

Alan R. Griffith

03/10/2005

          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) Cancellation of 2,700 shares without value received.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (3) Represents number of stock units held in employer's stock fund in The Bank of New York Company, Inc. Employee Savings and Investment Plan, formerly the Profit Sharing Plan, as of February 28, 2005.

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