#### WHISLER PATRICIA K

Form 4

January 27, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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may continue.

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common

Stock

01/25/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and A WHISLER                | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BUCKLE INC [BKE] |               |      |  |                                | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer |              |  |  |   |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------|------|--|--------------------------------|--|--------------|--|--|---|--|
| (Last) 2407 W 24'                    | (First) (Middle) 3. Date o                                   |               |      | f Earliest Transaction  Day/Year)                    |                                |  |              | (Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP WOMEN'S MERCHANDISING                               |  |   |  |
|                                      |  |               |      | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |                                |  |              | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |   |  |
| (City)                               | (State)  | (Zip)         | Tabl | le I - Non-l   | Derivative                     | Secui  | rities Acqu  | ired, Disposed of  | , or Beneficiall   | y Owned   |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)                      | Execution any |      | 3.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)               | 4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose<br>4 and<br>(A)<br>or                     | d of (D)     | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                             | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/25/2005   |               |      | M  | 1,500                          | A  | \$ 4.625     | 15,931   | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/25/2005   |               |      | M  | 1,500                          | A  | \$<br>6.3333 | 17,431   | D  |   |  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

M

6,700 A

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Transaction Derivative Code Securities |                     | cisable and<br>late<br>(Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)                                | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date            | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Purchase)           | \$ 4.625  | 01/25/2005                           |   | M                                      | 1,500                                  | <u>(1)</u>          | 03/27/2005                    | Common<br>Stock   | 1,500                                  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Purchase)           | \$ 6.3333   | 01/25/2005                           |   | M                                      | 1,500                                  | (2)                 | 02/03/2006                    | Common<br>Stock   | 1,500                                  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Purchase)           | \$ 4.5833   | 01/25/2005                           |   | M                                      | 6,700                                  | (3)                 | 01/30/2005                    | Common<br>Stock   | 6,700                                  |

# **Reporting Owners**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WHISLER PATRICIA K 2407 W 24TH STREET KEARNEY, NE 68845

VP WOMEN'S MERCHANDISING

### **Signatures**

Karen B. Rhoads by Power of Attorney 01/27/2005

\*\*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) The option is exercisable in 25% increments on March 27, 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998.

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- (2) The option is exercisable in 25% increments on February 3, 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999.
- (3) Performance based 100% exercisable as goal was achieved.

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