

LESSERSON JAMES C
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LESSERSON JAMES C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
THE NEW YORK TIMES
COMPANY, 229 WEST 43RD
STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2004

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
V.P.

(Street)
NEW YORK, NY 10036

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12/16/2004		A	2,775 A \$ 39.595	5,127 ⁽²⁾	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)

