FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person $\overset{\star}{}$ Nichols Leland $\overset{\star}{A}$						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORP SWHC]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director  Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2100 ROOSEVELT AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2008								X bel			below)	респу
(Street) SPRINGFIELD MA 01104  (City) (State) (Zip)				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of 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					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date (Month/					Execution Execution   2A. Deem   Execution   if any   (Month/D			Code (Ins	Transaction Dispos		rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		Secu Bene	icially d Following	Forn (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tran	action(s) 3 and 4)			m3d. 4j	
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		3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea			le and 7. Title and A of Securities Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5	ive derivativ y Securitie	ve es ally ig d tion(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		opiration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$5.81	06/02/2008			A		25,000		(1)	06	6/02/2018	Common Stock	25,000	\$0.00	25,0	000	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. One-third of the total number of options granted shall vest and become exercisable on each of the first, second, and third anniversary of the date of grant.

## Remarks:

John Kelly, as attorney-in-fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

- \* 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).

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