

ALBERTO CULVER CO  
Form S-8 POS  
November 14, 2003

Registration No. 333-72388

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**POST-EFFECTIVE  
AMENDMENT NO. 1  
TO**

**FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

*Under  
the Securities Act of 1933*

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**ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**36-2257936**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2525 ARMITAGE AVENUE  
MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS 60160

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION PLAN OF 1988**

(Full title of the plan)

**GARY P. SCHMIDT**

**ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY**

**2525 ARMITAGE AVENUE**

**MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS 60160-1163**

**(708) 450-3262**

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

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**Withdrawing Unsold Shares From Registration**

The registrant files this post-effective amendment, pursuant to its undertaking, for the purpose of withdrawing from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, 5,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, \$.22 par value, of the registrant previously registered under this registration statement and remaining unsold upon the termination of the sales of shares covered by this registration statement.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement, or amendment thereto, to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Melrose Park, State of Illinois on October 22, 2003.

ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY

By:                          /s/ HOWARD B. BERNICK

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**Howard B. Bernick**  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Leonard H. Lavin, Howard B. Bernick, William J. Cernugel and Gary P. Schmidt, or any of them, such persons true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to sign any or all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>                        </u> /s/ LEONARD H. LAVIN	Chairman of the Board and Director	October 22, 2003
<b>Leonard H. Lavin</b>		
<u>                        </u> /s/ HOWARD B. BERNICK	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	October 22, 2003
<b>Howard B. Bernick</b>	(Principal Executive Officer)	
<u>                        </u> /s/ BERNICE E. LAVIN	Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and	October 22, 2003
<b>Bernice E. Lavin</b>	Director	
<u>                        </u> /s/ CAROL L. BERNICK	Vice Chairman, President	October 22, 2003
<b>Carol L. Bernick</b>	Alberto-Culver Consumer Products Worldwide, Assistant Secretary and Director	
<u>                        </u> /s/ WILLIAM J. CERNUGEL	Senior Vice President and	October 22, 2003
<b>William J. Cernugel</b>	Chief Financial Officer  (Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)	

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/s/ A. G. ATWATER, JR.

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Director

October 22, 2003

**A. G. Atwater, Jr.**

/s/ JAMES G. BROCKSMITH, JR.

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Director

October 22, 2003

**James G. Brocksmith, Jr.**

/s/ JIM EDGAR

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Director

October 22, 2003

**Jim Edgar**

/s/ KING HARRIS

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Director

October 22, 2003

**King Harris**

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<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ JOHN A. MILLER	Director	October 22, 2003
<b>John A. Miller</b>		
/s/ ALLAN B. MUCHIN	Director	October 22, 2003
<b>Allan B. Muchin</b>		
/s/ ROBERT H. ROCK	Director	October 22, 2003
<b>Robert H. Rock</b>		
/s/ SAM SUSSEER	Director	October 22, 2003
<b>Sam Susser</b>		
/s/ WILLIAM W. WIRTZ	Director	October 22, 2003
<b>William W. Wirtz</b>		