

BIG LOTS INC  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
BERMAN SHELDON M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BIG LOTS INC [BIG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
300 PHILLIPI ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/31/2007

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

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/31/2007		M		5,000	A	\$ 19 14,281
Common Stock	08/31/2007		M		5,000	A	\$ 15.25 19,281
Common Stock	08/31/2007		M		5,000	A	\$ 10 24,281
Common Stock	08/31/2007		S		15,000	D	\$ 30 9,281
Common Stock							5,468
						I	By Xtream Creative, Inc. (1)

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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
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 19	08/31/2007		M	5,000	09/10/2002 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/10/2009	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 15.25	08/31/2007		M	5,000	09/08/2003 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/08/2010	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 10	08/31/2007		M	5,000	09/07/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/07/2011	Common Stock	5,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BERMAN SHELDON M 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228		X		

## Signatures

Chadwick P. Reynolds, attorney-in-fact for Sheldon M. Berman 08/31/2007

\*\*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) Common stock owned by Xtream Creative, Inc., of which Mr. Berman serves as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President.

(2) The date upon which the stock purchase option became fully exercisable.

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