THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC Form SC 13G/A

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. No. 4)

Thomas Industries, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class and Securities)

884425109

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

/X/ Rule 13d-1(b) // Rule 13d-1(c) // Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the

liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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CUSI:	P No. 884425109	
(1)	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS Southeastern Asset Management	t, Inc. I.D. No. 62-0951781
(2)	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF	A MEMBER OF A GROUP: (a) (b) X
(3)	SEC USE ONLY	
(4)	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGAN Tennessee	NIZATION
	ER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY D BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	:(5) SOLE VOTING POWER : (Discretionary Accounts) : 130,000 shares
WITH		:(6) SHARED OR NO VOTING POWER
Vote)	560,900 shares (shared) 95,000 shares (No
		:(7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER (Discretionary Accounts) : 225,000 shares
		:(8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		: 560,900 shares (Shared)
(9)	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY (Discretionary & Non-discret 785,900 shares	Y OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON tionary Accounts)
(10)	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE A	AMOUNT IN ROW 9 EXCLUDES
(11)	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED 5.2 %	D BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
(12)	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IA	

CUSIP No. 884425109 13G	
(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS Longleaf Partners Small-Cap F	'und I.D. No. 62-1376170
(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF	A MEMBER OF A GROUP: (a) (b) X
(3) SEC USE ONLY	
(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGAN Massachusetts Business Trust	
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	:(5) SOLE VOTING POWER : : None
WITH	:(6) SHARED OR NO VOTING POWER 560,900 shares (shared)
	: (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER : None
	: (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER : 560,900 shares (Shared)
(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY 560,900 shares	OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 9 EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES	
(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED 3.7 %	BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IV	

CUSIP No. 884425109	13G		
(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS O. Mason Hawkins	I.D. No. 257-72-3256		
(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF	T A MEMBER OF A GROUP: (a) (b) X		
(3) SEC USE ONLY			
(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGA Citizen of United States	ANIZATION		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	<pre>:(5) SOLE VOTING POWER : (Discretionary Accounts) : None</pre>		
WITH	:(6) SHARED VOTING POWER		
	: None		
	:(7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
	: None		
	:(8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER		
	: None		
(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALI None (See Item 3)	LY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON		
(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE CERTAIN SHARES	AMOUNT IN ROW 9 EXCLUDES		
(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTE) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 0.0%		
(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN			

Item 1.

- (a). Name of Issuer: Thomas Industries, Inc.
 ("Issuer")
- (b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

4360 Brownsboro Road Louisville, KY 40207

Item 2.

(a) and (b). Names and Principal Business Addresses of Persons $\,$

Filing:

- (1) Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. 6410 Poplar Ave., Suite 900 Memphis, TN 38119
- (2) Longleaf Partners Small-Cap Fund c/o Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. 6410 Poplar Avenue, Suite 900 Memphis, TN, 38119
- (3) Mr. O. Mason Hawkins
 Chairman of the Board and C.E.O.
 Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.
 6410 Poplar Ave., Suite 900
 Memphis, TN 38119
- (c). Citizenship:

Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. - A Tennessee corporation $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1$

Longleaf Partners Small-Cap Fund, a series of Longleaf Partners
Funds Trust, a Massachusetts business trust

Mr. O. Mason Hawkins - U.S. Citizen

- (d). Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock (the "Securities").
- (e). Cusip Number: 884425109
- Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1 (b) or 13d-2 (b), check whether the person filing is a:
- (d.) Investment Company registered under Sec. 8 of the Investment Company Act - Longleaf Partners Small-Cap Fund, a series of Longleaf Partners Funds Trust.
- (e.) Investment Adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. This statement is being filed

by Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. as a registered investment $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +$

adviser. All of the securities covered by this report are $\ensuremath{\mathsf{owned}}$

legally by Southeastern's investment advisory clients and

none

are owned directly or indirectly by Southeastern. As $\ensuremath{\mathsf{permitted}}$

by Rule 13d-4, the filing of this statement shall not be construed

as an admission that Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. is the

beneficial owner of any of the securities covered by this statement.

(g.) Parent Holding Company. This statement is also being filed by

Mr. O. Mason Hawkins, Chairman of the Board and C.E.O. of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. in the event he could be deemed to be a controlling person of that firm as the result

his official positions with or ownership of its voting securities.

The existence of such control is expressly disclaimed. Mr. Hawkins

does not own directly or indirectly any securities covered by this statement for his own account. As permitted by Rule 13d- 4.

the filing of this statement shall not be construed as an admission $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right)$

that Mr. Hawkins is the beneficial owner of any of the securities $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +$

covered by this statement.

Item 4. Ownership:

- (a). Amount Beneficially Owned: (At 3/31/02) 785,900 shares
- (b). Percent of Class:
 5.2 %

Above percentage is based on 15,251,810 shares of Common Stock outstanding.

- (c). Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i). sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

130,000 shares

(ii). shared or no power to vote or to direct the vote:

Shared - 560,900 shares. Securities owned by the following series of

Longleaf

Partners Funds Trust, an open-end management investment company registered under the

Investment

Company Act of 1940, as follows:

Longleaf Partners Small-Cap Fund - 560,900

No Power to Vote - 95,000

 $\mbox{(iii).}$ sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition

of:

225,000 shares

(iv). shared or no power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

> Shared - 560,900 shares Securities owned by the following series of

Longleaf

Partners Funds Trust, an open-end management investment company registered under the

Investment

Company Act of 1940, as follows:

Longleaf Partners Small-Cap Fund - 560,900

No Power - 0 shares

- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class: N/A
- Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person: N/A
- Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company: N/A
- Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group: $\ensuremath{\text{N/A}}$
- Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group: N/A

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

Signatures

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete, and correct.

Dated: April 4, 2002

Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.

By /s/ Charles D. Reaves

Charles D. Reaves
Vice President and General Counsel

Longleaf Partners Small-Cap Fund

By: Southeastern Asset Management,

Inc.

/s/ Charles D. Reaves

Charles D. Reaves

Vice President & General Counsel

O. Mason Hawkins, Individually

/s/ O. Mason Hawkins

Joint Filing Agreement

In accordance with Rule 13d-1(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the persons or entities named below agree to the joint filing on behalf of each of them of this Schedule 13G with respect to the Securities of the Issuer and further agree that this joint filing agreement be included as an exhibit to this Schedule 13G.

evidence thereof, the undersigned hereby execute this Agreement as of April 4, 2002.

Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.

By /s/ Charles D. Reaves

Charles D. Reaves

Vice President and General Counsel

Longleaf Partners Small-Cap Fund
By: Southeastern Asset Management,

Inc.

/s/ Charles D. Reaves

Charles D. Reaves

Vice President & General Counsel

O. Mason Hawkins, Individually

/s/ O. Mason Hawkins