

HOFFMAN BRENDAN  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HOFFMAN BRENDAN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC  
[NMGA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Pres. & CEO, NM Direct

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
THE NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP, INC., 1618 MAIN STREET  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/29/2004

DALLAS, TX 75201

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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		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 (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			
Common Stock, Class A <sup>(1)</sup>	10/29/2004	10/29/2004	A	V	865	A	\$ 0 865	D	
Common Stock, Class A <sup>(2)</sup>	10/29/2004	10/29/2004	A		865	A	\$ 60.83 865	D	
Common Stock, Class A <sup>(3)</sup>	10/29/2004	10/29/2004	A		866	A	\$ 0 866	D	
Common							6,290	D	

Stock, Class  
A  
(Restricted)

Common  
Stock, Class  
A (PRS)

4,400 D

Common  
Stock, Class  
A

1,104 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)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Nonqualified Stock Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 60.83	10/29/2004	10/29/2004	A	31,042	10/29/2007 10/29/2010	Common Stock, Class A	31,042	

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOFFMAN BRENDAN  
THE NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP, INC.  
1618 MAIN STREET  
DALLAS, TX 75201

Pres. & CEO, NM Direct

## Signatures

Brendan  
Hoffman

10/29/2004

Date

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

## 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).
- The Class A Common Stock reported herein as acquired represents shares issuable in the future in respect of matching restricted stock units ("MRSUs") acquired in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3 pursuant to The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. 1997 Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), which includes tax withholding rights.
- (1) On the same date the MRSUs were awarded, the reporting person agreed to purchase from the Company pursuant to the Plan, in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3, a number of shares of Class A Common Stock of the Company equal to the number of MRSUs noted above (the "Matched Common Stock"). The Company will hold the certificate representing the Matched Common Stock. If the reporting person requests and receives delivery of certificates representing any or all of the Matched Common Stock prior to the vesting of the award of the MRSUs, the reporting person will immediately forfeit a proportionate number of MRSUs.
- (2) The Class A Common Stock reported herein as acquired represents shares issuable in the future in respect of restricted stock units acquired in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3 pursuant to the Plan, which includes tax withholding rights.
- (3) Option granted pursuant to The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. 1997 Incentive Plan, which includes tax withholding rights. Option vests three years from the date of the grant and expires six years from the date of the grant.
- (4)

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