MORTON JOHN D

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MORTON JOHN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SPORTS AUTHORITY INC /DE/

(Check all applicable)

[TSA]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O THE SPORTS AUTHORITY, INC., 1050 WEST HAMPDEN

(First)

(Street)

AVENUE

(Last)

(Month/Day/Year)

05/03/2006

Chairman & CEO

4. If Amendment, Date 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

below)

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110

Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/03/2006		M	28,000	A	\$ 13.97	260,616	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2006		M	36,250	A	\$ 15.63	296,866	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2006		M	75,000	A	\$ 20	371,866	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2006		M	49,000	A	\$ 29.88	420,866	D	
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Common \$ Stock 37.25

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 orDerivative 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 Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.97	05/03/2006		M		28,000	08/09/2002	08/09/2011	Common Stock	28,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.63	05/03/2006		M		36,250	04/07/2001	04/07/2008	Common Stock	36,250
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 20	05/03/2006		M		75,000	12/18/2003	12/18/2012	Common Stock	75,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.88	05/03/2006		M		49,000	08/22/2004	08/22/2013	Common Stock	49,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
.	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MORTON JOHN D C/O THE SPORTS AUTHORITY, INC. 1050 WEST HAMPDEN AVENUE	X		Chairman & CEO				

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Signatures

Nesa E. Hassanein, Attorney-In-Fact

05/03/2006

**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) Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 22, 2006, among The Sports Authority, Inc., Slap Shot Holdings Corp., and SAS Acquisition Corp.

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