

PAQUIN ROBERT L  
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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 \*  
**PAQUIN ROBERT L**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BLUE NILE INC [NILE]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O BLUE NILE, INC., 705 FIFTH AVENUE S, STE 900**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**09/08/2005**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive VP

(Street)  
**SEATTLE, WA 98104**

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 (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code V  | Amount  | Price  |   |  |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 09/08/2005                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 500 <sup>(1)</sup> D  | \$ 34.2403  | 262,989  | D   |  |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 09/08/2005                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 1,115 <sup>(1)</sup> D  | \$ 34.2163  | 261,874  | D   |  |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 09/08/2005                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 310 <sup>(1)</sup> D  | \$ 34.0618  | 261,564  | 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code V (A) (D)                 |   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount or Number of Shares                              |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer      | Other |
| PAQUIN ROBERT L<br>C/O BLUE NILE, INC.<br>705 FIFTH AVENUE S, STE 900<br>SEATTLE, WA 98104 |               |           | Executive VP |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Diane M. Irvine, Power of Attorney  
09/12/2005

\_\_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) This sale was affected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

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