

LIFETIME BRANDS, INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
SIEGEL JEFFREY

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O LIFETIME BRANDS,
 INC, ONE MERRICK AVE**

(Street)

WESTBURY, NY 11590

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LIFETIME BRANDS, INC [LCUT]

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

06/08/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman of Board,CEO & Pres

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 29.96	06/08/2006	A	85,000 <u>(1)</u>					<u>(2)</u>	05/02/2011	Common Stock	85,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SIEGEL JEFFREY C/O LIFETIME BRANDS, INC ONE MERRICK AVE WESTBURY, NY 11590	X		Chairman of Board, CEO & Pres	

Signatures

Jeffrey Siegel 06/12/2006
 **Signature of Date
 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 options were granted on May 2, 2006 subject to stockholder approval of an amendment to the Lifetime Brands, Inc 2000 Long-term Incentive Plan to increase the amount of shares available for grant by 750,000 to 2,500,000, such approval was obtained at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders on June 8, 2006.
- (1) The options vest one-third on December 31, 2006 with the balance vesting quarterly in eight equal quarterly installments commencing on March 31, 2007.
 - (2) Field intentionally left blank in accordance with the instructions to Form 4.
 - (3) The options to purchase the other 165,000 shares which are not reported on this Form 4 are identical to the options to purchase 85,000 shares reported on this Form 4 except that the options to purchase the 165,000 shares which were previously reported were not subject to the approval of the amendment to the Lifetime Brands, Inc 2000 Long-term Incentive Plan.

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