

SHELLS SEAFOOD RESTAURANTS 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 \*  
**ILLICK CHRISTOPHER**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SHELLS SEAFOOD RESTAURANTS INC [SHLL]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 154 MERCER ST  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/22/2005

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

PRINCETON, NJ 08540  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Following 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
Stock Option to purchase Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	\$ 0.85	06/22/2005		A			20,000		07/22/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/22/2012	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	20,000
Stock Option to purchase Common Stock	\$ 0.76	06/13/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	06/22/2005	A			20,000		07/13/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/13/2012	Common Stock	20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ILLICK CHRISTOPHER 154 MERCER ST PRINCETON, NJ 08540	X			

## Signatures

Christopher D.  
Illick 06/23/2005

          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) Options vest monthly at 1,667 shares and become fully vested on 12/31/2005.

(2) Option grant on 6/13/2005 was provisional on the approval by stockholders of an amendment to increase the number of authorized shares under the 2002 Employee Incentive Plan. The proposal was approved at the 6/22/2005 annual meeting of stockholders.

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