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	tion 16. Form 4 or Form 5 pations may continue. See uction 1(b). and Address of Reporting Person [*] CKELFORD DONALD B		Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 193	34	hours per respor	nse: 0.5	
			or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940				
	1 6	•	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LIMITED BRANDS INC</u> [LTD]	5. Relationship of I (Check all applicat	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble)		
SHACK	ELFORD DOI	NALD B		X Director		10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (N		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/04/2005	Officer (gi below)		Other (specify below)	
FIFTH TH	HRD BANK		05/04/2005				
21 E STATE STREET - SUITE 1400							
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicab Line)			

COLUMBUS OH	43215
(Street)	

Form filed by One Reporting Person

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Person	-		

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

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. Transa Code (8)		of I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock	(1)	05/04/2005		A		899		(2)	(2)	Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	899	\$23.7	9,170 ⁽³⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. This award converts to common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

2. The shares of phantom stock become payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director.

3. Total holdings include phantom shares acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions exempt pursuant to Rule 16a-11 and phantom shares acquired in connection with stock dividends exempt pursuant to Rule 16a-9

Remarks:

By: Robert J. Tannous,

05/05/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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Attorney-in-Fact

Date