## SEC Form 4

# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	ss of Reporting Persc <mark>HAREN J</mark>	on*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LIMITED BRANDS INC</u> [ LTD ]		ationship of Reporting Per ( all applicable) Director	10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) THREE LIMITED PARKWAY		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/26/2011	X	Officer (give title below) CEO/P VS Megabran	Other (specify below) d Int App Grp	
(Street) COLUMBUS	ОН	43230	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha	orting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	05/26/2011		S		50,000	D	\$40	1,445,823	D	
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	10/24/2011		М		116,971	A	\$20.7741	1,600,077	D	
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	10/24/2011		М		53,736	A	\$7.4377	1,653,813	D	
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	10/24/2011		М		13,158	A	\$20.9108	1,666,971	D	
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	10/24/2011		М		9,897	A	\$14.6187	1,676,868	D	
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	10/24/2011		S <sup>(1)</sup>		193,762	D	\$43.5	1,483,106	D	
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value								500	I	By Spouse IRA
Common Stock, \$0.50 par value								2,500	I	Minor Child

### 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)		Derivative		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)	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		(Instr. 4)		
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$14.6187	10/24/2011		М			9,897	(2)	03/31/2018	Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	9,897	\$0.0000	24,141	D	
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$7.4377	10/24/2011		М			53,736	(3)	03/31/2019	Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	53,736	\$0.0000	53,739	D	
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$20.7741	10/24/2011		М			116,971	03/31/2009	03/31/2015	Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	116,971	\$0.0000	0.0000	D	
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$20.9108	10/24/2011		М			13,158	03/31/2010	03/31/2016	Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	13,158	\$0.0000	0.0000	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. The sales were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 30, 2011.

2. Option vests 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

3. Option vests 1/3 per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

#### Robert J. Tannous, Attorney-in-Fact

10/25/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

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