

CONANT DOUG  
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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 \*  
CONANT DOUG

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
APPLEBEES INTERNATIONAL INC [APPB]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O APPLEBEE'S INTERNATIONAL INC, 4551 WEST 107TH STREET - STE 1000  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/03/2005

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

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66207  
(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)
Common Stock	01/03/2005		A	(A) or (D) Code V Amount 2,800 (1) Price \$ 26.01	2,800	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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.01	01/03/2005		A	5,500	01/03/2006 01/03/2015	Common Stock	5,500
Common Stock (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.01	01/03/2005		A	4,490	01/03/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/03/2015	Common Stock	4,490

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66207 X

## Signatures

Douglas R.  
 Conant 01/03/2005

\*\*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) Restricted shares vesting 01/03/06.
- (2) The option vests in twelve equal installments beginning on February 3, 2005.

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