

BENTLEY WILLIAM

Form 3

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FORM 3**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â BENTLEY WILLIAM

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

10/26/2004

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
S&P 500 GEARED Fund Inc. [GRE]4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner☒ Officer ☐ Other

(give title below) (specify below)

Senior Vice President

C/O MERRRILL LYNCH
INVESTMENT
MANAGEMENT,Â 800 SC
UDDERS MILL ROAD

(Street)

PLAINSBORO,Â NJÂ 08536

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group
Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☐ Form filed by One Reporting
Person
☒ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially
owned directly or indirectly.

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(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENTLEY WILLIAM C/O MERRRILL LYNCH INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT 800 SC UDDERS MILL ROAD PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â Senior Vice President	Â
DOLL ROBERT C JR 800 SCUDDERS MILL ROADS PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â MLIM President	Â
FULLERTON BRIAN 800 SCUDDERS MILL ROADS PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â Managing Director	Â
GLENN TERRY K MERRILL LYNCH ASSET MANAGEMENT 800 SCUDDERS MILL ROAD PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â Executive Vice President	Â
WORMAN GLENN C 800 SCUDDERS MILL ROAD PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â Chief Financial Officer	Â
DONAHUE ANDREW C/O MERRRILL LYNCH ASSET MANAGEMENT 800 SCUDDERS MILL ROAD PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â FVP and General Counsel	Â
MILLER JERRY C/O MERRRILL LYNCH ASSET MANAGEMENT 800 SCUDDERS MILL ROAD PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â Senior Vice President	Â
WINTERS CHARLES C/O MERRRILL LYNCH INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT 800 SC UDDERS MILL ROAD PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536	Â	Â	Â Senior Vice President	Â

Signatures

Catherine Johnston, Power of
Attorney

10/26/2004

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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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