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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> FOSINA JOHN J (Last) (First) (Middle)		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 11/08/2004	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol S&P 500 GEARED Fund Inc. [GRE]			
			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
MERRILL LYNCH CORPORATE SECRETARY, 225 BROADWAY, 17TH FLOOR (Street)			(Check all applicable)			
			Director 10% Owner X Officer Other			
			(give title below) (specify below) Chief Administrative Officer	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		

### NEW YORK, NYÂ 10038

	,				Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Deriv	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Sec (Instr. 4)	urity		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)				
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#### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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

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## Edgar Filing: FOSINA JOHN J - Form 3

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

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
F		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FOSINA JOHN J MERRILL LYNCH CORPORATE SECRETA 225 BROADWAY, 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10038	ARY	Â	Â	Chief Administrative Officer	Â		
Signatures							
Catherine Johnston, Power of 11/	15/200	4					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date						
Explanation of Responses:							
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#### No securities are beneficially owned

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