#### MONKS DONALD R

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# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

See Instruction 1(b).

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| MONKS DONALD R                              |   | ]          | Symbol BANK OF NEW YORK CO INC [BK] |  |            |           |        | INC             | Issuer (Check all applicable)  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last)  ONE WA                              | (First)                                 | (          |                                     | te of Earliest Transaction<br>th/Day/Year)<br>2/2005 |            |           |        |                 | Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)  SEVP of The Bank of New York  |  |  |  |  |
| NEW YO                                      | (Street) RK, NY 10286                   |            | 4. If Amendment<br>Filed(Month/Day/ |  |            |           |        |                 | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |  |  |
| (City)                                      | (State)                                 | (Zip)      | Table                               | : I - N  | lon-       | Derivativ | e Seci | urities Acqu    | quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |  |  |  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)        | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |            | ate, if T<br>C<br>Year) (I          | 'ransa<br>'ode<br>Instr.                             | etio<br>8) |           | ties A | cquired (A) (D) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                             | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 03/01/2005                              |            |                                     | L  | V          | 24.16     | A      | \$<br>28.9744   | 542,427.83   | D  |  |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 03/25/2005                              | 08/12/2003 | 5                                   | L  | V          | 6.09      | A      | \$<br>27.6387   | 542,433.92   | D  |  |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                             | 04/01/2005                              |            |                                     | L  | V          | 38.12     | A      | \$<br>27.5437   | 542,472.04   | D  |  |  |  |

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| (Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50)                    |            |   |   |       |   |               |                   |   |                |
|---|------------|---|---|-------|---|---------------|-------------------|---|----------------|
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 05/05/2005 | L | V | 50.87 | A | \$<br>27.1719 | 542,522.91        | D |                |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 06/01/2005 | L | V | 25.35 | A | \$<br>27.6119 | 542,548.26        | D |                |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 07/01/2005 | L | V | 25.42 | A | \$<br>27.5348 | 542,573.68        | D |                |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 08/04/2005 | L | V | 49.53 | A | \$<br>29.0276 | 542,623.21        | D |                |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 08/12/2005 | G | V | 5,340 | D | \$ 30.385     | 537,283.21        | D |                |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) | 08/12/2005 | M |   | 8,864 | A | \$<br>11.2813 | 546,147.21<br>(1) | D |                |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) |            |   |   |       |   |               | 0 (2)             | I | Daughter-Laura |
| Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50) |            |   |   |       |   |               | 0 (3)             | I | Son-Brian      |
|   |            |   |   |       |   |               |                   |   |                |

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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number on f 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) |  | 8 E S (1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--------------------|---|--|----------|
|   |   |   | Code V                                  | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |          |
| Options   | \$ 11.2813  | 08/12/2005                              | M                                       | 8,864   | 01/09/1997   | 01/09/2006         | Common<br>Stock<br>(Par<br>Value<br>\$7.50)                   | 8,864                                  |          |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MONKS DONALD R ONE WALL STREET NEW YORK, NY 10286

SEVP of The Bank of New York

### **Signatures**

Donald R. 08/12/2005 Monks

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

# **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) As of July 31, 2005, reporting person has 79,852.111 stock units in employer's stock fund in The Bank of New York Company, Inc. E mployee Savings and Investment Plan, formerly the Profit Sharing Plan.
- (2) The reporting person no longer has a reportable beneficial interest in 1,717 shares of The Bank of New York Company, Inc. common stock owned by daughter, Laura, and included in the reporting person's prior ownership reports.
- (3) The reporting person no longer has a reportable, beneficial interest in 1,718.9580 shares of common stock of The Bank of New York Company, Inc. owned by son, Brian, and included in the reporting person's prior ownership reports.

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