AMERICAN RETIREMENT CORP

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Leebron John F

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

AMERICAN RETIREMENT CORP

(Check all applicable)

[ACR]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Month/Day/Year)

03/31/2006

below) Sr. Vice Pres. - Legal Svcs.

111 WESTWOOD PLACE, SUITE

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

F

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D)

(1)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Price 1.088

25.62

D

33,707 D

Common Stock

(Instr. 3)

200

03/31/2006

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title Amou		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Monui Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Under Securi	lying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Leebron John F 111 WESTWOOD PLACE, SUITE 200 BRENTWOOD, TN 37027			Sr. Vice Pres Legal Svcs.				

Signatures

/s/ John F.
Leebron

**Signature of Reporting Person

O4/04/2006

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) On March 31, 2006, a tranche of performance-based restricted stock owned by the reporting person vested and 1,088 shares were withheld from the shares delivered to the reporting person in order to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation.

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