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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Date of Report (Date of earliest ever	nt reported)	January 3, 2005
ROCKY SH	OES & BOOTS, INC.	
(Exact name of registra	nt as specified i	n its charter)
Ohio	0-21026	31-1364046
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.
39 East Canal Street, Nelsonv		45764
(Address of principal executive		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, inclu-	ding area code (7	40) 753-1951
Not	Applicable	
(Former name or former address)	ess, if changed s	ince last report.)
Check the appropriate box below if the simultaneously satisfy the filing obtained following provisions (see General Inc.)	ligation of the r	egistrant under any of the
[] Written communications pursuant (17 CFR 230.425)	to Rule 425 under	the Securities Act
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ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

Effective January 3, 2005, the board of directors of Rocky Shoes & Boots, Inc. (the "Company") granted each of the non-employee directors of the Company (J. Patrick Campbell, Glenn E. Corlett, Michael L. Finn, G. Courtney Haning, Curtis A. Loveland, Harley E. Rouda, Jr., and James L. Stewart) options (the "Options") to purchase 5,000 shares of the Company's common stock at a strike price of \$29.80 per share, exercisable January 3, 2006 and expiring eight years after the date of grant. The Options were granted under the Company's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.

The form of Option Award Agreement is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Also effective January 3, 2005, the board of directors of the Company granted each of the non-employee directors of the Company 335 shares of the Company's common stock (valued at approximately \$10,000 on the date of grant) as a retainer (the "Retainer Shares"). The Retainer Shares are fully vested as of the date of grant but are not tradable in the public markets until one year after the date of grant.

The form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement relating to the Retainer Shares is attached as Exhibit 10.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(C) EXHIBITS.

Exhibit No. Description

- 10.1 Form of Option Award Agreement under the Company's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 10.2 Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement relating to the Retainer Shares issued under the Company's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ROCKY SHOES & BOOTS, INC.

Date: January 7, 2005 By: /s/ Erin F. Siegfried

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Erin F. Siegfried, Assistant Secretary

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