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## FORM 4

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# **COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL **OWNERSHIP**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						4. Sta	4. Statement for Month/Day/Year					
(Last)	Levine,	Joel (First)		A.	(Middle)	8/0	7/02					
(East)		(Tilst)			(Wilddie)	5 If A	mandmant	Date of Original (Mo	onth/Doy/Veor	•)		
4340 Bonnie B	Brook Road	(Street)				J. II P	anendinent.	Date of Original (Wo	mui/Day/Teal	,		
T (City)	oledo,	Ohio (State)	43615	5-2302	(Zip)							
2. Issuer Name	and Ticker or	Trading Symbo	ol			6. Rel	ationship of	Reporting Person(s)				
Spartan Stores, Inc. ("SPTN")							(Check all applicable)  X Director   10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)							7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form Filed by One Reporting Person  Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Table I Noi	n-Deriv	ative S	ecurities A	cquired, D	isposed of	, or Beneficially O	wned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	ecurity Date Execution Code or Disposed					ed of (D)	A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6.Ownership Form: Di- rect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	5/08/02		A	V	250	A	\$7.98	see below	D			
Common Stock	6/20/02		A	V	54	A	\$4.60	see below	D			
Common Stock	7/10/02		A	V	147	A	\$3.38	see below	D			
Common Stock	8/07/02		A	V	310	A	\$3.17	2,954	D			

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. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	tion (	3A.Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/	Transaction     Code		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		n Date	
	Security		Day/Year)	Code	V	(A)	)	(D)		Date rcisable	Expiration Date
7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Do Se	erivative ecurity nstr. 5)		ties Ber l Follov ed on(s)	neficially	I H	Dwnership For Derivative Sec Beneficially O tt End of Mon Instr. 4)	urities wned		
Title	Amount or No										

**Explanation of Responses:** 

By: /s/ Joel A. Levine January 7, 2003

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Joel A. Levine

\*By Alex J. DeYonker Attorney-in-Fact

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure

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Date

#### LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned does hereby constitute and appoint ALEX J. DEYONKER and TIMOTHY L. HORNER, or any one or more of them, his or her true and lawful attorneys and agents to do any and all acts and things and to execute and file any and all instruments that such attorneys and agents, or any of them, may consider necessary or advisable to enable the undersigned (in his or her individual capacity or in a fiduciary or other capacity) to comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), and any requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission in respect thereof, in connection with the preparation, execution and filing of any report or statement of beneficial ownership or changes in beneficial ownership of securities of SPARTAN STORES, INC. (the "Company") that the undersigned (in his or her individual capacity or in a fiduciary or other capacity) may be required to file pursuant to Sections 13 or 16 of the Act including, without limitation, full power and authority to sign the undersigned's name, in his or her individual capacity or in a fiduciary or other capacity, to any report, application or statement on Form ID, Forms 3, 4 or 5, Schedules 13D or 13G, or to any amendments or any successor forms thereto, or any form or forms adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission in lieu thereof or in addition thereto, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorneys and agents, or any of them, shall do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned agrees that the attorneys-in-fact named herein may rely entirely on information furnished orally or in writing by the undersigned to such attorneys-in-fact. The undersigned also agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the attorneys-in-fact against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) that arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or omission of necessary fact in the information provided by the undersigned to the attorneys-in-fact for purposes of executing, acknowledging, delivering or filing any such forms, or any amendments or any successor forms thereto, or any form or forms adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission in lieu thereof or in addition thereto.

This authorization shall be in addition to all prior authorizations to act for the undersigned with respect to securities of the Company in these matters.

Date: July 12, 2000	/s/ Joel A. Levine
	Joel A. Levine