BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

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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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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **SCLAFANI JAMES**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS INC

(Check all applicable)

[BRW]

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

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2006

below) Sr. V.P. Claims

BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS, INC., 5701 STIRLING ROAD

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DAVIE, FL 33314

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Fransaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				quired of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	02/21/2006		A <u>(1)</u>	869	A	\$ 18.7	43,822	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	02/21/2006		A(2)	13,369	A	\$ 18.7	57,191	D	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and	d 8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	tionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amount of	f Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlying	g Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivativ	e		Securities	(Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCLAFANI JAMES BRISTOL WEST HOLDINGS, INC. 5701 STIRLING ROAD DAVIE, FL 33314

Sr. V.P. Claims

Signatures

Alexis S. Oster, by Power of Attorney for Reporting Person

02/23/2006

Date

**Signature of 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) Grant of Restricted Stock vesting in 2 years.
- (2) Grant of Restricted Stock vesting in 5 years.

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