SCHULMAN A INC

Form 4

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

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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

SCHULMAN A INC [SHLM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HOLLAND WILLARD R

(First) (Middle) (Last)

2 SHADOW BROOK LANE

(Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2007

Symbol

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

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

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

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

(City) (State)

(Instr. 3)

SAVANNAH, GA 31411

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Owned Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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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 Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

Price of

(Instr. 3)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4 TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date **Expiration Title** Amount Exercisable Date Number of Shares Phantom Common Stock (2) 09/30/2007 344.37 (3) (3) 344.37 Α Stock Units (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOLLAND WILLARD R
2 SHADOW BROOK LANE X

2 SHADOW BROOK LANE SAVANNAH, GA 31411

Signatures

/s/ Aaron S. Berke, attorney in fact for Willard R. Holland

10/02/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Pursuant to the A. Schulman, Inc. Directors Deferred Units Plan, a non-employee director may elect, prior to the first day of any calendar year, to defer all or a portion of his or her Director fees in that calendar year. Deferred Director Fees for each calendar quarter are aggregated and credited to an account for each participating director until the last day of each quarter (the "Valuation Date"). In addition,

- the director's account is credited with the amount of any dividends that would have been paid to the director had he or she actually owned shares of Common Stock equal to the number of units in the account at the time of the dividend payment. On each Valuation Date, all amounts credited to the account are converted to units by dividing the amount in the account by the closing price of a share of Common Stock on the Valuation Date. The Phantom Stock Units reflected in this Report were issued both in lieu of directors fees and based on dividends paid.
- (**2**) 1-for-1
- (3) Phantom stock units are payable in cash upon the earlier of a director's separation from service as a director, a director's disability, or a change in control of the Company.
- (4) The price is the closing price on September 28, 2007, the last business day of the calendar quarter.

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