FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHEDLARZ DAVID L					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>HERSHEY CO</u> [HSY]								(Ch	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Own					
(Last)	(Fir	rst) (I	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2017									_	er (give title			(specify
(Street) HERSHE (City)			7033 Zip)		4. If <i>i</i>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person									on				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Da				Date	Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securiti Disposed 5)					Securi Benefi Owner	cially d Following	6. Owner Form: D (D) or Ir (I) (Instr	Direct ndirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	Transa	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock			01/01/	/2017		A		362.24	19 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	0 19,389.1933		D ⁽	(1)				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title Amou Secur Under Deriva Secur and 4)	nt of ities lying itive ity (Ins	S (1	. Price of derivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Explanation of Responses:

1. The total amount of securities reported as directly owned in Column 5 includes 117.0104 shares acquired on December 15, 2016, pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Company's Directors' Compensation Plan, the provisions of which are substantially similar to the dividend reinvestment features of the broad-based dividend reinvestment plan available generally to Company stockholders.

/s/ James Turoff, Agent for

01/03/2017

David L. Shedlarz ** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

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