

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

Keil, Beverly R.
The Washington Post Company
1150 15th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20071
USA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

The Washington Post Company
WPO

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

December 1996

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

January 1997

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

() Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other
(specify below)
Vice President

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

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Amount	A/D Price			

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
				Amount	A/D	Exercisable Date	Expiration Date					

(Option right to buy)	*343.938	12/11/96	J	V	1,000	A	12/11/97	12/11/06	Class B Common Stk	1,000	4,000	D	
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Explanation of Responses:

* Employee Stock Option granted on transaction date pursuant to The Washington Post Stock Option Plan. Option becomes exercisable in 25 percent increments on anniversary dates of the grants starting December 11, 1997. Amendment intended to replace Form 4 filed on January 16, 1997.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

Beverly R. Keil by Diana Daniels

DATE

April 17, 1997