FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|--|---|--|----------|---------|-------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|---------|-----------------------|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHIRLEY JON A                                 |   |  |          |         |                               |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ] |     |   |         |                       |   |  |   | 5. Relationship of Repo<br>(Check all applicable)<br>X Director  |  |   |  | Issuer<br>Owner                             |  |
| (Last) ONE MIC   | (Fii  | · ·  | Middle)  |         |                               | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2003 |  |     |   |         |                       |   |  |   |  | Officer (give title below)   |   | Othe<br>belov  | r (specify<br>v)                            |  |
| (Street) REDMOND WA 98052-6399   |   |  |          | 5399    | 4. If                         | 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 |  |   |  |   |  |
| (City)   | (St   |  | Zip)     |         |                               |   |  |     |   |         |                       |   |  |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |
| Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/ |   |  |          | tion    | on 2A. Deemed Execution Date, |   | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)                                    |     | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5) |         |                       | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following                                     |  | nt of<br>es<br>ally<br>following                    | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  |  | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |  |   |  |
|  |   |  |          |         |                               |   |  |     | Code  | v       | Amount                | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price                                  |   | Reported<br>Transact<br>(Instr. 3  | ion(s)   |   |  | (Instr. 4)                                  |  |
| Common Stock 10/01/2   |   |  |          |         |                               | 003   |  |     | S <sup>(1)</sup>  |         | 46,500                | D   | \$2                                    | 28  | 4,87   | 1,690  |   | D  |   |  |
| Common Stock 10/01/2   |   |  |          |         |                               |   |  |     | S <sup>(1)</sup>  |         | 25,000                | D   | \$28                                   | .16   | 4,846,69   |  |   | D  |   |  |
| Common Stock 10/01   |   |  |          | 10/01/2 | 2003                          |   |  |     | S <sup>(1)</sup>  |         | 21,500                | D   | \$28                                   | .17   | 7 4,825,190  |  |   | D  |   |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |          |         |                               |   |  |     |   |         |                       |   |  |   | 1,30   | 8,940  |   | I  | Shirley<br>Family<br>Limited<br>Partnership |  |
|  |   | Та   | ble II - |         |                               |   |  |     |   |         | osed of,<br>convertib |   |  |   | Owned  |  |   |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                    | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any ice of (Month/I |          |         | med 4.                        |   | 5. Num   |     | 6. Date<br>Expirat<br>(Month                                    | tion Da |                       | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) |  | 9. Numbe<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficial<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | e<br>s<br>Illy                                      | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)       |  |
|  |   |  |          |         | Code                          | v   | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercis   | sable   | Expiration<br>Date    | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |  |   |  |   |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. This sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person.

## Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-11/07/2003 Fact for Jon A. Shirley

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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