#### HOLLAND WILLARD R

Form 4

January 06, 2006

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* HOLLAND WILLARD R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

2 SHADOW BROOK LANE

SCHULMAN A INC [SHLM]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10% Owner Other (specify

01/04/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X\_ Director

Officer (give title

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SAVANNAH, GA 31411

(State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Beneficially Owned Following

7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

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) or

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 Security			(	Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a				
			Code	V	(A)	(D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	01/04/2006	A		1,010.69	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,010.69
Phantom Stock Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	01/05/2006	A		34.85	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	34.85

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HOLLAND WILLARD R							
2 SHADOW BROOK LANE	X						
SAVANNAH, GA 31411							

## **Signatures**

/s/ Aaron S. Berke, as attorney in fact for Willard R. Holland 01/06/2006

\*\*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. 2002 Equity Incentive Plan, directors may elect to defer all or a portion of their director fees by receiving Phantom Stock Units in lieu of such fees. The number of Phantom Stock Units received is calculated by dividing the amount of

- (1) fees deferred by the closing price of the Common Stock of S. Schulman, Inc. (the "Company") on the last business day of the preceding calendar year. Phantom Stock Units held by directors are credited with, and additional Phantom Stock Units are issued based on the amount of, dividends paid with respect to the Company's Common Stock from time to time. The Phantom Stock Units reflected in this Report were issued in lieu of director fees.
- (2) 1-for-1
- (3) Phantom Stock Units are payable in cash following the termination of the Reporting Person's service as a director of the Company.

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