#### SCHULMAN A INC

Form 4

January 15, 2016

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* MITAROTONDA JAMES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SCHULMAN A INC [SHLM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director

Officer (give title

10% Owner

Other (specify

C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P., 888 SEVENTH **AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR** 

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

01/13/2016

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City)	(State) (	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	ities A	cquired, Disposed	l of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
C			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/13/2016		A	2,736	A	\$ 0 (1)	30,426	D	Ву
Common Stock							247,678	I	Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P

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)

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MITAROTONDA JAMES A C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P. 888 SEVENTH AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019

X

### **Signatures**

/s/ James A.
Mitarotonda
01/15/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

# **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).
- (1) Award grant issued pursuant to the A. Schulman, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Incentive Plan (the "2006 Plan"). Pursuant to the 2006 Plan, the reporting person received a grant of fully vested and unrestricted common stock.
- The Reporting Person's relationship to Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. is described in this footnote. The Reporting Person is the sole stockholder and director of LNA Capital Corp., which is the general partner of Barington Capital Group, L.P., which is the majority member of Barington Companies Investors, LLC. Barington Companies Investors, LLC is the general partner of Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P.
- (3) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section

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