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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

A Cootey Stephen Lawrence

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/04/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

WHITNEY INFORMATION NETWORK INC [RUSS]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

PRIDES CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.L.C., Â 200 HIGH STREET, **SUITE 700**

(Street)

10% Owner _X_ Director Officer Other

(give title below) (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting

Person

X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON. MAÂ 02110

(City) (State)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Common Stock $1,100,000 \stackrel{(1)}{=}$ Ι By Prides Capital Fund I, 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Warrants (right to buy)	12/12/2005	12/12/2009	Common Stock	550,000 (1)	\$ 6	I	By Prides Capital Fund I, L.P.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
steporting of their runner, running	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Cootey Stephen Lawrence PRIDES CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.L.C. 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110	ÂX	Â	Â	Â	
Lawlor Henry J Jr PRIDES CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.L.C. 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
Richardson Kevin A II PRIDES CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.L.C. 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
McCarthy Charles E PRIDES CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.L.C. 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
Indick Murray A PRIDES CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.L.C. 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
Puscasiu Christian PRIDES CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.L.C. 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
Prides Capital Partners, LLC 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110	ÂX	ÂX	Â	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Murray A. Indick	01/06/2006
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Stephen L. Cootey, by Murray A. Indick as Attorney-in-Fact	01/06/2006
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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/s/ Henry J. Lawlor, Jr., by Murray A. Indick as Attorney-in-Fact			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Kevin A. Richardson, II, by Murray A. Indick as Attorney-in Fact			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Charles E. McCarthy, by Murray A. Indick as Attorney-in-Fact	01/06/2006		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Christian Puscasiu, by Murrary A. Indick as Attorney-in-Fact	01/06/2006		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C., by Murray A. Indick, Managing Member	01/06/2006		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

The securities reported herein are owned directly by Prides Capital Fund I, L.P. Because Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C. is the general partner of Prides Capital Fund I, L.P., Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C. may be deemed the beneficial owner of the securities held by Prides Capital Fund I, L.P. Because Kevin A. Richardson, II, Murray A. Indick, Henry J. Lawlor, Jr., Charles E. McCarthy and Christian Puscasiu are the controlling members of Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C., they may also be deemed to be beneficial owners of securities deemed to be beneficially owned by Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C. Each of Messrs. Richardson, Indick, Lawlor, McCarthy and Puscasiu disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of their pecuniary interests therein. Stephen L. Cootey is an employee of Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C. and disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities except to the

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Remarks:

 $Remarks: \hat{A} \ This \hat{A} \ report \hat{A} \ is \hat{A} \ filed \hat{A} \ jointly \hat{A} \ by \hat{A} \ Stephen \hat{A} \ L. \hat{A} \ Cootey, \hat{A} \ Kevin \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A} \ II, \hat{A} \ Murrary \hat{A} \ A. \hat{A} \ Richardson, \hat{A$

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