

BARNES & NOBLE INC  
Form SC 13D/A  
November 28, 2018

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

SCHEDULE 13D  
Under the  
Securities  
Exchange Act of  
1934  
(Amendment No.  
19)

BARNES &  
NOBLE, INC.  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock,  
par value \$0.001  
per share  
(Title of Class of  
Securities)

067774109  
(CUSIP Number)

Leonard Riggio  
c/o Barnes &  
Noble, Inc.  
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New York, NY  
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Number of Person  
Authorized to  
Receive Notices  
and  
Communications)

November 27,  
2018  
(Date of Event  
Which Requires  
Filing of this  
Statement)

If the filing person  
has previously  
filed a statement  
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to report the  
acquisition that is  
the subject of this  
Schedule 13D,  
and is filing this  
schedule because  
of §§  
240.13d-1(e),  
240.13d-1(f) or  
240.13d-1(g),  
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| 1  | NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS<br>S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.<br>OF ABOVE PERSONS               |
|    | Leonard Riggio   |
| 2  | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF<br>A MEMBER OF A GROUP  |
|    | (a) (b)  |
| 3  | SEC USE ONLY   |
| 4  | SOURCE OF FUNDS  |
|    | PF   |
| 5  | CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF<br>LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS<br>REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS<br>2(d) OR 2(e) |
| 6  | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF<br>ORGANIZATION  |
|    | United States of America   |
|    | SOLE VOTING POWER  |
| 7  | 5,794,491  |
|    | SHARED VOTING POWER  |
| 8  | 8,257,641  |
|    | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
| 9  | 5,794,491  |
|    | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
| 10 | 8,257,641  |
| 11 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT<br>BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH   |

REPORTING PERSON

14,052,132

12

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE  
AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES

13

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

19.2%

14

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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| 1  | NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS<br>S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.<br>OF ABOVE PERSONS               |
|    | Louise Riggio  |
| 2  | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF<br>A MEMBER OF A GROUP  |
|    | (a) (b)  |
| 3  | SEC USE ONLY   |
| 4  | SOURCE OF FUNDS  |
|    | PF, OO   |
| 5  | CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF<br>LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS<br>REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS<br>2(d) OR 2(e) |
| 6  | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF<br>ORGANIZATION  |
|    | United States of America   |
|    | SOLE VOTING POWER  |
| 7  | 0  |
|    | SHARED VOTING POWER  |
| 8  | 8,257,641  |
|    | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
| 9  | 0  |
|    | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
| 10 | 8,257,641  |
| 11 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT<br>BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH<br>REPORTING PERSON                               |

8,257,641

12

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE  
AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES

13

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

11.3%

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TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS  
S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.  
OF ABOVE PERSONS

The Riggio Foundation

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF  
A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

OO

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF  
LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS  
REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS  
2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF  
ORGANIZATION

New York

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

5,940,973

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

0

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

5,940,973

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11 NUMBER  
OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH  
AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH  
REPORTING PERSON

5,940,973

12

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE  
AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES

13

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

8.1%

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TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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Introductory Statement

This Amendment No. 19 to Schedule 13D (“Amendment No. 19”) is being filed by Leonard Riggio (“Mr. Riggio”), Louise Riggio (“Mrs. Riggio”) and The Riggio Foundation, a charitable trust organized under the laws of New York (“The Riggio Foundation” and, together with Mr. Riggio and Mrs. Riggio, the “Reporting Persons”), to amend the Items specified below in Mr. Riggio’s Schedule 13D with respect to the common stock, \$.001 par value (“Common Stock”), of Barnes & Noble, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), as such Schedule 13D has previously been amended and supplemented. The Reporting Persons are jointly filing this Amendment No.19 pursuant to that certain Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of November 27, 2018, attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereof.

Item 2. Identity and Background

Item 2 is amended and supplemented as follows:

(a)-(c) This statement is being filed by Mr. Riggio, Mrs. Riggio and The Riggio Foundation as the Reporting Persons.

Mr. Riggio is the Chairman of the Board of the Company. Mrs. Riggio is co-trustee of The Riggio Foundation, a charitable trust of which Mr. Riggio is also co-trustee. Mrs. Riggio’s business address is 122 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10011. The principal business of The Riggio Foundation is charitable giving towards the arts, higher education and other areas. The Riggio Foundation’s address is 1290 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10104.

(d) and (e) During the last five years, none of the Reporting Persons has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or has been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

(f) Mrs. Riggio is a citizen of the United States of America.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Item 3 is amended and supplemented as follows:

As noted in Item 5 below, Mrs. Riggio is the indirect beneficial owner of shares of Common Stock owned by LRBKS Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation owned by Mr. Riggio and Mrs. Riggio (“LRBKS”) and shares of Common Stock owned by The Riggio Foundation. The source of funds for the acquisition of such shares of Common Stock indirectly beneficially owned by Mrs. Riggio has thus been previously reported in this Schedule 13D, as amended, and, in each case, the voting and dispositive power relating to such shares is shared with Mr. Riggio.

The shares of Common Stock held by The Riggio Foundation were gifted to it by Mr. Riggio.

Item 4. Purpose of the Transaction

Item 4 is amended and supplemented as follows:

On October 3, 2018, the Company announced that its board of directors (the “Board”) has decided to enter into a formal review process to evaluate strategic alternatives for the Company (the “Potential Sale Process”) and that the Board has appointed a special committee of independent directors, comprised of Mark Carleton, Paul Guenther, Patricia Higgins and Kimberley Van Der Zon, to lead the Potential Sale Process (the “Special Committee”). The same Company announcement also disclosed that Mr. Riggio expressed his commitment to support and vote his shares in favor of any transaction recommended by the Special Committee.

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Mr. Riggio has advised the Special Committee that, in his capacity as a stockholder, he is evaluating, and may participate in, the Potential Sale Process. Such participation in the Potential Sale Process could include, without limitation, (i) making, individually or with others, an offer to acquire, and negotiating and executing a transaction to acquire, the Company or (ii) selling the Reporting Persons' beneficial ownership interest in the Company in connection with a transaction.

There can be no assurance that any action referred to above in this Item 4 will be taken; that if any such action is taken, the outcome thereof; or, if any such action were to result in an acquisition of the Company, the terms or timing on which any such acquisition would take place.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5 is amended and supplemented as follows:

(a) and (b) The beneficial ownership percentages used herein are calculated based upon the 73,169,887 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of October 31, 2018, as reported in the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 27, 2018, as filed on November 20, 2018 with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Mr. Riggio is the beneficial owner of 14,052,132 shares, or 19.2%, of the Common Stock. Mr. Riggio is the direct beneficial owner of 5,794,491 shares of Common Stock. Mr. Riggio has the sole power to vote and dispose of all of such directly owned shares. Mrs. Riggio is the indirect beneficial owner of 8,257,641 shares, or 11.3%, of the Common Stock. Mr. Riggio and Mrs. Riggio are the indirect beneficial owners of 2,316,668 shares of Common Stock owned by LRBKS and have the power to direct the vote and disposition of the shares owned by LRBKS. Mr. Riggio and Mrs. Riggio are the indirect beneficial owners of 5,940,973 shares, or 8.1%, of the Common Stock as co-trustees of The Riggio Foundation, in which neither the Reporting Persons, nor any of their family members or affiliates, have any pecuniary interest. Mr. Riggio and Mrs. Riggio have the shared power to direct the vote and disposition of the shares owned by The Riggio Foundation as co-trustees of the foundation. The Riggio Foundation is the direct beneficial owner of 5,940,973 shares, or 8.1%, of the Common Stock and has the sole power to direct the vote and disposition of the shares of Common Stock it owns (upon such direction by Mr. Riggio and Mrs. Riggio, as co-trustees of the foundation).

(c) There have been no transactions in the Common Stock during the sixty days prior to the date hereof by the Reporting Persons.

On July 19, 2017, Mr. Riggio made a gift of 1,350,000 shares of Common Stock to The Riggio Foundation. On December 21, 2017, Mr. Riggio made a gift of 1,450,000 shares of Common Stock to The Riggio Foundation.

(d) No person other than the Reporting Persons is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Shares.

(e) Not applicable.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Item 7 is amended and supplemented as follows:

Exhibit 99.1 Joint Filing Agreement, dated November 27, 2018, among Leonard Riggio, Louise Riggio and The Riggio Foundation.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, we certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: November 27, 2018

/s/ Leonard Riggio  
Leonard Riggio

/s/ Louise Riggio  
Louise Riggio

THE RIGGIO  
FOUNDATION

By: /s/ Leonard Riggio  
Name: Leonard Riggio  
Title: Trustee