

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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### SUBJECT COMPANY

#### WASHINGTON POST CO

CIK: **104889** | IRS No.: **530182885** | State of Incorpor.: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **0103**  
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-06714** | Film No.: **99709134**  
SIC: **2711** Newspapers: publishing or publishing & printing

Business Address  
1150 15TH ST NW  
WASHINGTON DC 20071  
2023346000

### REPORTING OWNER

#### GRAHAM KATHARINE

CIK: **1018400**  
Type: **4**

Mailing Address	Business Address
C/O THE WASHINGTON POST CO 1150 15TH ST NW WASHINGTON DC 20071	C/O THE WASHINGTON POST CO 1150 15TH ST NW WASHINGTON DC 20071 2023346694

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

( ) Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.  
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  
 Graham, Katharine  
 The Washington Post Company  
 1150 15th Street, N.W.  
 Washington, DC 20071  
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 The Washington Post Company  
 WPO
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year  
 August 1999
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  Officer (give title below) ( ) Other  
 (specify below)  
 Chairman of the Executive Committee
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Director or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Class B Common Stock	8/12/99	G	47	N/A		
Class B Common Stock	8/13/99	G	184	N/A		
Class B Common Stock	8/20/99	G	19	NA		
Class B Common Stock	8/25/99	G	19	126,816	I	Revocable Trust
				2,600	D	Irrevocable Trust

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities	10. Director or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

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Explanation of Responses:  
 \*In addition to the direct and indirect ownership of Class B shares herein, I am one of five trustees of a charitable trust which owns 113,270 Class B shares in which I disclaim any beneficial ownership.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON  
 Katharine Graham by Diana M. Daniels

DATE  
 September 10, 1999