

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

Filing Date: **2013-01-14** | Period of Report: **2013-01-10**  
SEC Accession No. [0001209191-13-003069](#)

([HTML Version](#) on [secdatabase.com](#))

### REPORTING OWNER

**MITAROTONDA JAMES A**

CIK: **1254583**

Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **000-07459** | Film No.: **13529046**

Mailing Address

*888 SEVENTH AVENUE 17TH  
FL  
NEW YORK NY 10019*

### ISSUER

**SCHULMAN A INC**

CIK: **87565** | IRS No.: **340514850** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **0610**

SIC: **2821** Plastic materials, synth resins & nonvulcan elastomers

Mailing Address

*3550 W MARKET STREET  
AKRON OH 44333*

Business Address

*3550 W MARKET STREET  
AKRON OH 44333  
3306663751*

# FORM 4

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

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
 Expires: 02/28/2011  
 Estimated average burden hours per response 0.5

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <b>MITAROTONDA JAMES A</b>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>SCHULMAN A INC [SHLM]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>01/10/2013</b>					
C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P., 888 SEVENTH AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street) <b>NEW YORK, NY 10019</b>								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/10/2013		A		2,786 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0	23,016	D	
Common Stock								224,229	I	By Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. <sup>(2) (3)</sup>

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

### Explanation of Responses:

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 2,786 shares of fully vested and unrestricted common stock.
2. 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 16 or for any other purpose.

### Signatures

/s/ James A. Mitarotonda

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

01/14/2013

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

**Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.**