

F5 NETWORKS INC

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
GRINSTEIN, KEITH			F5 NETWORKS, INC. (FFIV)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <input type="checkbox"/> (give title below) DIRECTOR	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)		4. Statement for Month/Year	
	401 ELLIOTT AVENUE WEST				APRIL 2001	
(Street)					5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)	
SEATTLE, WA 98119						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
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TABLE I -- NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES ACQUIRED, DISPOSED OF, OR BENEFICIALLY OWNED

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (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 at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
COMMON STOCK	04/26/01	P	5,000	A	\$7.31	6,000	D	

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).

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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)	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)(1)	\$8.10	04/20/01	A	15,000	04/20/01	04/20/11	COMMON STOCK	\$8.10

9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
15,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The options vested 100% on the grant date.

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

/s/ KEITH GRINSTEIN 5/3/01

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.
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