**BOWNE & CO INC** Form 4

December 17, 2004

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SMITH WENDELL M

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(Middle)

**BOWNE & CO INC [BNE]** 

(Check all applicable)

BOWNE & CO., INC., 345

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2004

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

**HUDSON STREET** 

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10014

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

any

Securities

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquire (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	d of			(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options to buy Common Stock	\$ 15.335	12/16/2004		A		5,000 (1)		12/16/2005	12/15/2014	common stock	5,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SMITH WENDELL M BOWNE & CO., INC., 345 HUDSON STREET NEW YORK, NY 10014	X						

## **Signatures**

Wendell M. Smith by Scott L. Spitzer under Power of Attorney.

12/17/2004

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) Non-Qualified stock options granted under the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan. Options become exercisable on 12/16/2005 and expire on 12/15/2014.

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