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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A DeSantis Pa	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SCHULMAN A INC [SHLM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)				
3550 WEST MARKET STREET (Street) AKRON, OH 44333			(Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2011	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP-Finance and CFO				
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired. Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner				

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			•	5. Amount of Securities	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)	• •	any	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5			5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported		
					or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	02/28/2011		M	4,499	A	<u>(1)</u>	39,074.01	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2011		F	3,145	D	\$ 22.26	35,929.01	D	

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

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares (1)	<u>(1)</u>	02/28/2011		M	4,499	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	4,499

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DeSantis Paul F

3550 WEST MARKET STREET VP-Finance and CFO

AKRON, OH 44333

Signatures

/s/ Aaron S. Berke, attorney in fact for Paul F.
DeSantis

03/02/2011

**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).

Represents the vesting and settlement of 4,499 performance shares pursuant to the A. Schulman, Inc. (the "Company") 2006 Equity Plan (the "2006 Plan"), which were initially granted on February 29, 2008. Under the 2006 Plan, the vesting of such performance shares was

(1) subject to performance criteria based upon the total shareholder returns on the Company's common stock relative to a peer group of similar companies during the performance period. Under the 2006 Plan, performance shares are settled on the vesting date in shares of the Company's common stock on a 1-to-1 basis.

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