FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SILBERSTEIN ALAN M   |   |     |             |       |              | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC [ GPN ] |   |       |  |      |   |        |                         |   | ionship of Reporting Person(s)<br>all applicable)<br>Director   |  |  | (s) to Issuer  | vner  |
|--|---|-----|-------------|-------|--------------|---|---|-------|--|------|---|--------|-------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| (Last)   | (First)   | (Mi | iddle)      |       |              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2003             |   |       |  |      |   |        |                         | X   | Officer (give title below)  |  |  | Other (specify below)  |   |
| 4 CORPORATE SQUARE / LEGAL DEPARTMENT  (Street)  ATLANTA GA 30329  (City) (State) (Zip)  |   |     |             |       |              | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                |   |       |  |      |   |        |                         | 6. Indix  | ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |  |   |
|  |   | Та  | ble I - Noı | n-Der | ivativ       | e Se  | curitie   | s Acq | uired,   | Disp | osed of,  | , or l | Benefi                  | cially Ow   | ned   |  |  |  |   |
| Date   |   |     |             |       | th/Day/Year) |   | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |       |  |      | 4. Securiti<br>Disposed   |        |                         |   |   | urities<br>eficially Owned<br>owing Reported |  | : Direct (D)<br>direct (I)<br>: 4)                                 | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |     |             |       |              |   |   |       | Code   | v    | Amount  |        | (A) or<br>(D)           | Price   | (Instr. 3 and   |  |  |  | (111501.4)  |
| Common Stock 10/23   |   |     |             |       | 23/2003(1)   |   |   |       | A  |      | 340   |        | A                       | \$38.71   | 340   |  |  | D  |   |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |     |             |       |              |   |   |       |  |      |   |        |                         |   |   |  |  |  |   |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3)   | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security |     |             |       |              |   |   |       | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |      | 7. Title and Amou<br>Securities Underly<br>Derivative Securit<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |        | derlying<br>curity<br>) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)                          |  | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |
|  |   |     |             |       | Code         | v   | (A)   | (D)   | Date<br>Exercis  |      | Expiration<br>Date  | Title  |                         | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares                 |   | (Instr. 4)                                   |  |  |   |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares were issued with respect to partial payment of the Company's compensation arrangements for its Directors

Alan M. Silberstein

10/27/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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