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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington D.C. 20549

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

November 16, 2005
(Date of Report)
(Date of earliest event reported)

JOHN WILEY & SONS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York
(State or jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-11507

Commission File Number

13-5593032

IRS Employer Identification Number

111 River Street, Hoboken NJ

Address of principal executive offices

07030

Zip Code

(201) 748-6000

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

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Item 5.02: Departure of Directors or Principal Officers

On November 15, 2005, John L. Marion, Jr., a non-executive director, submitted a letter to John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (the Company) in which he resigned from the Company's Board of Directors, effective immediately. Mr. Marion is a general partner of Hendrie Investments LLC, an investment consulting company. Mr. Marion is also associated with various members of the Bass family of Forth Worth, Texas.(1)

A copy of Mr. Marion's letter of resignation dated November 15, 2005 is attached. Mr. Marion indicated in his letter that his resignation from the Company's Board will permit him to devote additional time to fulfilling other business interests and responsibilities.

Mr. Marion has served on the Company's Board since 1999 and was a member of both the Audit and Governance Committees.

The Company is initiating a search for Mr. Marion's replacement.

(1) Mr. Marion has regularly made SEC filings with members of the Bass family and their associated trusts and companies (as an "Item 2 Person") because collectively they may be deemed to constitute a "group" within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Act. Members of this potential "group" include The Bass Management Trust ("BMT"), 820 Management Trust ("820"), Prime 66 Partners ("Prime"), Barbnet Investment Co. ("Barbnet") as well as Nancy L. Bass ("NLB"), Perry R. Bass ("PRB"), Lee M. Bass ("LMB"), Ramona S. Bass ("RSB"), SRB Diversified Realty, Inc. ("SRB Diversified"), Sid R. Bass ("SRB"), William P. Hallman, Jr. ("WPH") and Mr. Marion.

John L. Marion, Jr.
Hendrie Investments LLC
3 Greenwich Office Park, Ste 3
Greenwich CT 06831

Chairman & Board of Directors
John Wiley & Son's, Inc.
111 River Street
Hoboken NJ 07030-5774

November 15, 2005

Dear Chairman & Board of Directors,

I hereby resign as a director of John Wiley & Sons, Inc., effective immediately. I have been a director for more that six years, and it has been gratifying to see the continued progress that the Company has made over that time. My resignation will permit me to devote additional time to fulfilling other business interests and responsibilities. I have no disagreements with the strategies being pursued or the perspectives of management at the Company, and wish the Company continued success.

Sincerely,

/s/ John L. Marion, Jr.

John L. Marion, Jr.

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

/S/ William J. Pesce

William J. Pesce
President and Chief Executive Officer

/S/ Ellis E. Cousens

Ellis E. Cousens
Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial and Operations Officer

November 16, 2005