SEC Form 3

FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and A GASH C	F (2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea 11/24/2003	nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CONNS INC</u> [CONN]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 111 CENTER STREET					4. Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) Director X	10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street)					Officer (give title below)	Other (below)	pecify	Appl	icable Line)	/Group Filing (Check	
LITTLE ROCK	AR	72201								y One Reporting Person y More than One erson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock					180,468(1)	I		By voting trust			
Common Stock					451,176		Ι		By LLC		
Common Stock					182,609 I		[By LLC			
Common Stock					36,122	2 I		By LLC			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur	ty (Instr. 4) Conve or Exe		ercise	ise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	Secui	ative	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 160,580 shares beneficially owned individually and 19,888 shares beneficially owned by reporting person's IRA.

Remarks:

Todd Ferguson, attorney in fact 11/24/2003

for reporting person

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 5 (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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY for Executing Forms 3, 4 and 5 and Schedules 13D and 13G

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints David A. Knight, William B. Keisler and Todd C. Ferguson the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact to:

(1) execute, for and on behalf of the undersigned, any one or more Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules thereunder, and any Schedules 13D and 13G, and any amendments thereto, in accordance with Section 13 of the Exchange Act, and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts, for and on behalf of the undersigned, that may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Forms 3, 4 or 5, and Schedules 13G and 13D, and any amendments thereto, and the timely filing of such forms and schedules with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing that, in the opinion of any such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned, pursuant to this Power of Attorney, shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorneys-in-fact, or their substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Sections 13 and 16 of the Exchange Act, or other applicable securities laws or rules.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 17th day of November, 2003.

/s/ C. Ray Gash Signature

C. Ray Gash Printed Name