UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

> SCHEDULE 13D (AMENDMENT NO. 16)\*

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

DESIGNS INC (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities)

> 25057L10 (CUSIP Number)

Seymour Holtzman c/o Jewelcor Companies 100 N. Wilkes-Barre Blvd. Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania 18702 (570) 822-6277 (Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

AUGUST 27, 1999 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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Seymour Holtzman

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3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS\*

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	"Jewelcor Management, Inc." Federal Identification No. 23-2331228		
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Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This Statement on Schedule 13D ("Schedule 13D") relates to the common stock (the "Common Stock") of Designs, Inc. ("Designs"). The principal executive offices of Designs are located at 66 B Street, Needham, Massachusetts 02194.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

NO AMENDMENT

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

NO AMENDMENT

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

Item 4 is hereby supplementally amended as follows:

On August 27, 1999, Jewelcor Management, Inc. ("JMI") received a letter from Designs' legal counsel, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

NO AMENDMENT

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings, or Relationships with Respect
to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

NO AMENDMENT

## SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of their knowledge, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: AUGUST 27, 1999

/s/ Seymour Holtzman Seymour Holtzman

/s/ Evelyn Holtzman Evelyn Holtzman

JEWELCOR MANAGEMENT, INC.

By: /s/ Seymour Holtzman Name: Seymour Holtzman Title: President

JEWELCOR INC.

By: /s/ Seymour Holtzman Name: Seymour Holtzman Title: President

S.H. HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Seymour Holtzman Name: Seymour Holtzman Title: President August 27, 1999

Mr. Richard L. Huffsmith Vice President/General Counsel Jewelcor Companies 100 North Wilkes-Barre Boulevard Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania 18702

Re: Designs, Inc. Annual Meeting

Dear Mr. Huffsmith:

I am responding to your letter of August 26, 1999 to Scott Semel relating to the Designs annual meeting date. Absent unforseen events, Designs is committed to holding the annual meeting of stockholders on October 4, 1999.

We object to your characterizations of events in your letter, and note in particular that the meeting was postponed to October 4th because proxy materials of both Designs and Jewelcor had not been cleared by the SEC and Designs wanted to ensure that stockholders had adequate time to consider the issues before them.

We respectfully suggest that filing a lawsuit relating to the meeting date will unnecessarily divert attention and resources from matters which are of greater importance to the stockholders.

Very truly yours,

Louis A. Goodman

cc: Scott N. Semel