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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 11-K

(Mark One)

x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the period ended December 31, 2004

OR

" TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number 1-6152

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below:

THE RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN OF PERSHING LLC

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office:

THE BANK OF NEW YORK COMPANY, INC.

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EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | |
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| 23.1 | Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm |
| 99 | Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, financial statements, notes to financial statements, and supplemental schedule |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN OF

PERSHING LLC

BY: /s/ Russell P. Wellinger

Russell P. Wellinger Managing Director

/s/ Patrick T. Crowe

Patrick T. Crowe Managing Director

/s/ John M. Dowd

John M. Dowd Managing Director

Dated:

June 29, 2005