

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 3)

CopyTele, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.01 par value 217721 10 9

(Title of class of securities) (CUSIP number)

Anne Rotondo, Corporate Secretary, CopyTele, Inc.
900 Walt Whitman Road, Huntington Station, NY 11746
(516) 549-5900

(Name, address and telephone number of person authorized to receive
notices and communications)

April 19, 1996

(Date of event which requires filing of this statement)

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON: Frank J. DiSanto

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. S.S. # ###-##-####
OF ABOVE PERSON:

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP: (a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS: SEE ITEM 3

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e):

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: USA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER:	3,077,730<1>
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER:	NONE
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	3,077,730<1>
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:	NONE

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY REPORTING PERSON: 3,077,730<1>

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:
SEE ITEM 5

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 11.10%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: IN

<1> Includes 804,840 shares which Mr. DiSanto has the right to acquire upon exercise of options granted pursuant to the Issuer's 1993 Stock Option Plan.

This Statement amends and supplements the Statement on Schedule 13D previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 30, 1995 by Frank J. DiSanto, regarding his beneficial ownership of common stock, \$.01 par value ("Common Stock"), of CopyTele, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), as previously amended by Amendments No. 1 and No. 2.

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

Item 3 is hereby supplemented by the addition of the following:

"From February 21, 1996 through and including April 19, 1996, Mr. DiSanto purchased, for an aggregate of \$1,205,355.00, an aggregate of 195,160 shares of Common Stock from the Corporation pursuant to the exercise of options granted to Mr. DiSanto on January 4, 1995 and May 3, 1995 under the Corporation's 1993 Stock Option Plan. The funds for the purchase of such shares (which previously were reported as being beneficially owned) were from the proceeds of sales of an equivalent number of shares pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (\$1,205,355.00 of which were borrowed by Mr. DiSanto, pending settlement of the trades, from Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc., the broker effecting the sales, pursuant to margin loans having

customary terms). See Item 5."

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5 is hereby (i) amended by deleting paragraph (a) thereof and replacing it with the following paragraph (a) and (ii) supplemented by the addition of the following paragraph (c):

"(a) As of the date of this Statement, Mr. DiSanto beneficially owns an aggregate of 3,077,730 shares of Common Stock, representing 11.10% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock, including 804,840 shares of Common Stock subject to options granted under the Corporation's 1993 Stock Option Plan, but not including 100,000 shares of Common Stock subject to options granted to Mr. DiSanto on March 21, 1996 under the Corporation's 1993 Stock Option Plan which are not exercisable until March 21, 1997. "

"(c) Between February 21, 1996 and April 19, 1996, Mr. DiSanto purchased an aggregate of 195,160 shares of Common Stock and disposed of an aggregate of 345,160 shares of Common Stock, as further described in Item 3 above and in Schedule A attached hereto. (Schedule A also includes purchases by Mr. DiSanto between May 10, 1995 and June 27, 1995, which were inadvertently omitted from Schedule A to Amendment No. 2)."

Except for the acquisition and disposition of shares of Common Stock described herein and in Schedule A attached hereto, Mr. DiSanto has not effected any transactions in shares of Common Stock during the sixty days preceding the date of this Statement.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: April 23, 1996

/s/ Frank J. DiSanto

Frank J. DiSanto

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SCHEDULE A

The details of transactions effected in the Common Stock of the Corporation during the past sixty days (and purchases during the sixty day period covered by Amendment No. 2, which were inadvertently omitted from Schedule A to Amendment No. 2) by Mr. DiSanto are set forth below. Except as otherwise indicated, all dispositions were sales effected on the NASDAQ-National Market and the Price Per Share excludes broker's commissions, and all purchases were effected through the exercise of options in accordance with the Corporation's 1993 Stock Option Plan.

Date of Transaction -----	Number of Shares Purchased/(Disposed) -----	Price Per Share -----
May 10, 1995	20,000	\$5.50
May 23, 1995	20,000	5.50
June 6, 1995	10,000	5.50

June 8, 1995	40,000	5.50
June 14, 1995	10,000	5.50
June 19, 1995	10,000	5.50
June 20, 1995	10,000	5.50
June 22, 1995	10,000	5.50
June 26, 1995	10,000	5.50
June 27, 1995	40,000	5.50
February 21, 1996	10,000	6.125
February 21, 1996	(10,000)	10.375
March 14, 1996	13,500	6.125
March 14, 1996	(11,000)	9.750
March 14, 1996	(2,500)	9.875
March 15, 1996	32,500	6.125
March 15, 1996	(32,500)	9.750
March 18, 1996	5,000	6.125
March 18, 1996	(5,000)	9.750
March 20, 1996	(50,000)	-- (1)
March 22, 1996	35,000	6.125
March 22, 1996	(30,000)	9.750
March 22, 1996	(5,000)	9.875
March 25, 1996	10,000	6.125
March 25, 1996	(10,000)	9.750
March 26, 1996	10,000	6.125
March 26, 1996	(10,000)	9.813
March 28, 1996	20,000	6.125
March 28, 1996	(10,000)	9.750
March 28, 1996	(10,000)	9.813
March 29, 1996	25,000	6.125
March 29, 1996	(12,500)	9.750
March 29, 1996	(12,500)	9.875
April 2, 1996	8,160	6.125

April 2, 1996	(8,160)	9.750
April 3, 1996	6,000	6.125
April 3, 1996	(6,000)	9.750
April 10, 1996	10,000	6.625
April 10, 1996	(10,000)	9.750
April 16, 1996	10,000	6.625
April 16, 1996	(10,000)	9.875
April 19, 1996	(100,000)	-- (1)

(1) Gift.

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