

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

May 2, 2017

Mr. Demos Parneros Chief Executive Officer Barnes & Noble, Inc. 122 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10011

> Re: Barnes & Noble, Inc. Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2016 Filed June 23, 2016 File No. 001-12302

Dear Mr. Parneros:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer Thompson

Jennifer Thompson Accounting Branch Chief Office of Consumer Products