

Exhibit 32.1

**CERTIFICATION OF PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. §
1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
§ 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of Gottschalks Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ended February 2, 2008 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, James R. Famalette, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as enacted by § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ James R. Famalette

James R. Famalette

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Date: April 10, 2008

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Gottschalks Inc. and will be retained by Gottschalks Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.