KASITZ KEVIN Form 4 June 01, 2009

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

KASITZ KEVIN

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First) (Middle)

777 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1000

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [HALL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

05/28/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Executive Vice President; COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

FORT WORTH, TX 76102 (City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

(D)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Securities

5. Amount of

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

26,426

COMMON STOCK

(Month/Day/Year)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	5. Number or Derivative Securities Acquired (a or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	A) d of	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 6.61	05/28/2009(1)		A	55,000		(2)	04/01/2019	COMMON STOCK	55,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 11.46						(3)	05/22/2018	COMMON STOCK	37,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 12.52						<u>(4)</u>	05/24/2017	COMMON STOCK	75,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 11.34						<u>(5)</u>	05/25/2016	COMMON STOCK	16.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 7.14						<u>(6)</u>	05/27/2015	COMMON STOCK	16.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KASITZ KEVIN 777 MAIN STREET SUITE 1000 FORT WORTH, TX 76102			Executive Vice President; COO				

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STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR KEVIN KASITZ

06/01/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The option was conditionally granted on April 1, 2009, subject to shareholder approval of an amendment to the plan under which the option was granted. The plan amendment was approved by shareholders on May 28, 2009.
- (2) Represents grant of employee stock options which become exercisable in seven equal annual installments commencing April 1, 2010.
- (3) Represents employee stock options exercisable as to 3,750, 7,500, 11,250 and 15,000 shares on May 22, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively.
- (4) Represents employee stock options exercisable as to 7,500, 15,000, 22,500 and 30,000 shares on May 24, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.
- (5) Represents employee stock options exercisable as to 1,667, 3,333, 5,000 and 6,667 shares on May 25, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010, respectively.
- (6) Represents employee stock options exercisable as to 1,667, 3,333, 5,000 and 6,667 shares on May 27, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

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