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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Jones Christopher C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

14990 LANDMARK **BOULEVARD, SUITE 300**

(Street)

ADDISON, TX 75254

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

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

President of Operating Unit

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

> 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) Transaction(s)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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)

1. Title of Derivative

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Security

(Instr. 3)

Conversion

Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	d of	(Month/Day/Year)		(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 <u>(1)</u>		A	10,000		(2)	04/01/2019	COMMON STOCK	10.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 11.46						(3)	05/22/2018	COMMON STOCK	7,:
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 12.52						<u>(4)</u>	05/24/2017	COMMON STOCK	15,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 11.34						<u>(5)</u>	05/25/2016	COMMON STOCK	16.

Relationships

Date

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Jones Christopher C 14990 LANDMARK BOULEVARD SUITE 300 ADDISON, TX 75254			President of Operating Unit				
Signatures							
STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR CHRISTOPHER C. JONES							

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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 grant of employee stock options exercisable as to 750, 1,500, 2,250 and 3,000 shares on May 22, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively.
- (4) Represents grant of employee stock options exercisable as to 1,500, 3,000, 4,500 and 6,000 shares on May 24, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.
- (5) Represents grant of 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.

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