

Stephens Martin R  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Stephens Martin R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC  
[MMSI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/18/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP of Sales

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock, No Par Value	12/15/2004		P	4,710 A \$ 14.75	7,400	D	
Common Stock, No Par Value					817	I	By 401 (k) Plan <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock, No Par Value					155	D <sup>(3)</sup>	

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 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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 14.48					07/14/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 07/14/2009	Common Stock
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 15.03	12/18/2004		A	20,000	12/18/2004 12/18/2014	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stephens Martin R 1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095			VP of Sales	

## Signatures

Martin R. Stephens 12/18/2004

\*\*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) Represents shares held by the Merit Medical Systems, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust for the Benefit of the reporting person as of 03/30/05.
- (2) The option vests in equal annual installments of 1,000 shares, commencing on July 14, 2005 and continuing through July 14, 2009.
- (3) (Employee Stock Purchase Plan) as of 01/26/05

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