

MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ELLIS JAMES J

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)

12/12/2008

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

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

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

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

(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	12/12/2008		M		17,777	A	\$ 9.56 37,778
Common Stock	12/12/2008		S		17,777	D	\$ 17.74 20,001

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 An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 9.56	12/12/2008		M	17,777	05/23/2002 05/23/2012	Common Stock
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$ 10.47					05/22/2003 05/22/2013	Common Stock
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.67					12/13/2003 12/13/2013	Common Stock
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$ 13.81					06/10/2004 06/10/2014	Common Stock
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$ 14.26					05/25/2005 05/25/2015	Common Stock
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$ 11.52					05/25/2006 05/25/2013	Common Stock
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$ 12.13					06/27/2008 ⁽¹⁾ 06/27/2014	Common Stock
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$ 14.41					05/21/2009 ⁽²⁾ 05/21/2015	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ELLIS JAMES J 1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095	X			

Signatures

Greg L. Barnett, Attorney
in Fact

12/16/2008

__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) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 6/27/08.

(2) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 5/21/09.

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