

MEYER DONALD E  
Form 4  
June 01, 2009

**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 \*  
MEYER DONALD E

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
HALLMARK FINANCIAL  
SERVICES INC [HALL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
7411 JOHN SMITH DRIVE, SUITE  
1400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/28/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
PRESIDENT OF OPERATING UNIT

(Street)  
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78229

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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)
COMMON STOCK				(A) or (D)	11,333	D	

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)	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 6.61	05/28/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>		A		10,000		<sup>(2)</sup>	04/01/2019	COMMON STOCK	10,000
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 11.46							<sup>(3)</sup>	05/22/2018	COMMON STOCK	7,500
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 12.52							<sup>(4)</sup>	05/24/2017	COMMON STOCK	15,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MEYER DONALD E 7411 JOHN SMITH DRIVE SUITE 1400 SAN ANTONIO, TX 78229			PRESIDENT OF OPERATING UNIT	

## Signatures

STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR DONALD E. MEYER

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.

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- (3) Represents 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 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.

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