

PROBST LAWRENCE F III
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FORM 4

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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 *
PROBST LAWRENCE F III

(Last) (First) (Middle)

209 REDWOOD SHORES
PARKWAY

(Street)

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ELECTRONIC ARTS INC. [ERTS]

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

09/29/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount | | |
| | | | | Code | V | | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 36 | 09/29/2008 | A ⁽¹⁾ | 7,700 | | | | | ⁽²⁾ | 09/29/2018 | Common Stock | 7,700 |
| Restricted Stock Units | ⁽³⁾ | 09/29/2008 | A ⁽¹⁾ | 1,100 | | | | | ⁽⁴⁾ | ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock | 1,100 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| PROBST LAWRENCE F III 209 REDWOOD SHORES PARKWAY REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065 | X | | | |

Signatures

Flora B. Lee, Attorney-in-Fact for Lawrence F. Probst III 10/01/2008

**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).
- These grants were awarded to Mr. Probst in connection with his transition on September 27, 2008 to a non-employee Director of the Company and represent the pro rata number of shares that a non-employee Director of the Company would ordinarily receive automatically upon his or her annual re-election to the Board. These grants, including their grant date, were approved by the Board of Directors on July 31, 2008.
- (1) This option will first vest and become exercisable as to 100% of the underlying shares on the earlier of (i) the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders or (ii) 12 months from Vest Start Date. Optionee may then exercise the option with respect to vested shares at any time until expiration or cancellation.
 - (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Electronic Arts common stock.
 - (3) The restricted stock unit award shall vest in its entirety and be deemed exercised on the earlier of (i) date of the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders or (ii) the one-year anniversary of the grant date.

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