AVOCENT CORP 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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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

THORNTON STEPHEN F Issuer Symbol AVOCENT CORP [AVCT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE 08/09/2007 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 08/09/2007 S 40,000 D 127,839 (6) D 30.53 Stock Common 49,248 I **Spouse** Stock Common I GP of LP

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. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A	ecurities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.94					05/02/2000(1)	05/02/2010	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.44					09/18/2000(2)	09/18/2010	Common Stock	225,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 22.36					05/25/2001(3)	05/25/2011	Common Stock	60,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.77					04/15/2002(4)	04/15/2012	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003(4)	03/07/2013	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004(4)	02/05/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005(5)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	4,200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THORNTON STEPHEN F						
4991 CORPORATE DRIVE	X					
HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805						

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Signatures

Edward H. Blankenship as attorney-in-fact for Stephen F Thornton

08/10/2007

**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) Grant date, 50% vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date and 25% on each grant date anniversary for the following two years.
- (2) Grant date, 15% vests every 6 months for the first 12 months, 6.25% vests every three months for the following 24 months and 5% vests every three months for the final 12 months.
- (3) Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months, 7.5% vests every three months for final 10 quarters. The vesting of unvested options priced greater than \$25.00 accelerated and became exercisable on December 25, 2005.
- (4) Grant date, option vest and become exercisable in 24 monthly installments beginning one month from date of grant. The vesting of unvested options priced greater than \$25.00 accelerated and became exercisable on December 25, 2005.
- (5) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
 - Includes time-based restricted shares granted in 2006; 6,742 shares vest equally over two years, 50% on January 1, 2007 and 50% on
- (6) January 1, 2008. Includes time-based restricted shares granted on April 27, 2007. The shares vest equally over two years, one-half on January 1, 2008 and one-half on January 1, 2009.

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