BERLIN SCOTT T

Form 4 June 01, 2009

## FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

BERLIN SCOTT T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HALLMARK FINANCIAL

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

SERVICES INC [HALL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

05/28/2009

X\_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

1111 SUPERIOR AVENUE, SUITE

900

(Street) 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

below)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

10,000 D

**COMMON STOCK** 

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)	Code	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 6.61	05/28/2009(1)		A	15,000	10/02/2009	04/01/2019	COMMON STOCK	1.
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 11.46					11/23/2008	05/22/2018	COMMON STOCK	5
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 12.52					11/25/2007	05/24/2017	COMMON STOCK	10
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 4.13					(3)	12/31/2010	COMMON STOCK	1

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BERLIN SCOTT T 1111 SUPERIOR AVENUE SUITE 900 CLEVELAND, OH 44114	X					

# **Signatures**

STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR SCOTT T.
BERLIN
06/01/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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 director stock options.
- (3) Represents director stock options which become exercisable as to 4,167 on July 1, 2001, and as to an additional 2,083, 2,083, 2,083, 2,083 and 2,085 shares on January 1, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively.

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