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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 *
 Jones Christopher C

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)
 14990 LANDMARK BOULEVARD, SUITE 300
 (Street)

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

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President of Operating Unit

ADDISON, TX 75254

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | 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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|---|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am or Nur of S |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | \$ 6.61 | 05/28/2009 ⁽¹⁾ | A | 10,000 | | <u>(2)</u> | 04/01/2019 | COMMON STOCK | 10 |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | \$ 11.46 | | | | | <u>(3)</u> | 05/22/2018 | COMMON STOCK | 7, |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | \$ 12.52 | | | | | <u>(4)</u> | 05/24/2017 | COMMON STOCK | 15 |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | \$ 11.34 | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | 05/25/2016 | COMMON STOCK | 16 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Jones Christopher C 14990 LANDMARK BOULEVARD SUITE 300 ADDISON, TX 75254 | | | President of Operating Unit | |

Signatures

STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR CHRISTOPHER C. JONES 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.
- (3) Represents grant of 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 grant of 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.
- (5) Represents grant of employee stock options exercisable as to 1,667, 3,333, 5,000 and 6,667 shares on May 25, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010, respectively.

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