

GRAVES JAMES H  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
GRAVES JAMES H

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)  
8409 PICKWICK LANE, PMB 429  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/22/2010

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

DALLAS, TX 75225  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
COMMON STOCK	12/22/2010		S	25,833	D \$ 8.9701	25,358 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
COMMON STOCK	12/23/2010		S	10,699	D \$ 9.0623	14,659	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)

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 6.61					10/02/2009 04/01/2019	COMMON STOCK	15,000
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 11.46					11/23/2008 05/22/2018	COMMON STOCK	5,000
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 12.52					11/25/2007 05/24/2017	COMMON STOCK	10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GRAVES JAMES H 8409 PICKWICK LANE PMB 429 DALLAS, TX 75225	X			

## Signatures

STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR JAMES H. GRAVES

12/27/2010

\_\_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) Total reflects a one share correction to previously reported amounts.

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