

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC  
 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 \*  
 ROBERTS JOHN JOSEPH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC [SFE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/15/2009

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

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC., 435 DEVON PARK DRIVE, BLDG. 800

(Street)

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

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

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WAYNE, PA 19087

(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 Following 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)**

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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)	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	10/15/2009		A	341	(1) (1)	Common Stock 341	\$ 12.29
Deferred Stock Units	(2)	10/15/2009		A	85	(2) (2)	Common Stock 85	\$ 0

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROBERTS JOHN JOSEPH SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. 435 DEVON PARK DRIVE, BLDG. 800 WAYNE, PA 19087	X			

## Signatures

Deirdre Blackburn Agent for John J. Roberts  
10/19/2009

\*\*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 deferred stock units are payable in stock, on a one-for-one basis, and are fully vested at grant. Distributions in respect of the deferred stock units will be made following termination of service as a director at times established in accordance with the terms of the applicable equity compensation plan of the Issuer.
- (2) The deferred stock units are payable in stock, on a one-for-one basis, and vest on the first anniversary of the grant date. Distributions in respect of the deferred stock units will be made following termination of service as a director at times established in accordance with the terms of the applicable equity compensation plan of the Issuer.
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