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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BOULEVARD, Â SUITE 300

Jones Christopher C

(Last)

14990 LANDMARK

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/01/2009

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [HALL]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

President of Operating Unit

Director _X__ Officer

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

ADDISON, TXÂ 75254

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership

(I) (Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

4.

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Date

Title Amount or Number of Shares

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

						(Instr. 5)	
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	(1)	05/22/2018	COMMON STOCK	7,500	\$ 11.46	D	Â
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	(2)	05/24/2017	COMMON STOCK	15,000	\$ 12.52	D	Â
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	(3)	05/25/2016	COMMON STOCK	16,667	\$ 11.34	D	Â

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

STEVEN D. DAVIDSON, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR CHRISTOPHER C. JONES 01/06/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) 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.
- (2) 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.
- (3) 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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