#### SHRADER JEFFREY G

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## FORM 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Stock, \$.01

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHRADER JEFFREY G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORP			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)			[PLLL]		.:	X Director 10% Owner		
701 S. TAYLOR, SUITE 500			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2009			X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
701 S. TA I		300				Chairman of the Board		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
AMARILL	O, TX 79101		Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
(City)	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Deficiciany Owned							
(Instr. 3) any		med on Date, if Day/Year)	Transaction(A) of	curities Acquired or Disposed of (D r. 3, 4 and 5)	Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Benefici Owned (D) or Ownersh			
				Code V Amo	(A) or ount (D) Prio	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value						1,100	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value						34,295	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value						1,912	D	
Common						1,153	D	

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par value

Common

12,321 (1) Stock, \$.01 07/01/2009 D

par value

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 Conversion (Instr. 3)

or Exercise Price of

Derivative

Security

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

Code (Month/Day/Year)

4.

5. TransactionNumber of (Instr. 8) Derivative

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

**Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Title and Amount o

Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Securities

Date Exercisable Expiration Date

Title

Amount Number of Share

Code V (A) (D)

Non-Employee

**Director Stock** Option (right to buy)

\$ 12.27

08/23/2006 08/23/2015

Common

50,000

Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Officer Director 10% Owner

Other

SHRADER JEFFREY G

701 S. TAYLOR, SUITE 500 AMARILLO, TX 79101

X

Chairman of the Board

**Signatures** 

/s/ Jeffrey G. Shrader

07/03/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- \* 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).
  - Such shares were acquired by the reporting person pursuant to the Parallel Petroleum Corporation Non-Employee Director Stock Grant Plan (the "Plan") adopted by the stockholders of Parallel Petroleum Corporation ("Parallel") on June 22, 2004. Under the Plan, each non-employee director of Parallel is entitled to receive on the first day of July of each year an annual retainer fee consisting of shares of
- (1) Parallel's common stock. The number of shares of Parallel common stock received is determined by dividing \$25,000 by the average of the daily closing prices of Parallel's stock for ten consecutive trading days commencing fifteen trading days before the first day of July of each year (\$2.029) The shares of stock vest immediately but may not be assigned or transferred until the reporting person ceases to be a director of Parallel, except that transfers may be permitted for estate and/or tax planning purposes or gratuitous or donative purposes.

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