

Stephens Martin R
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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 *
 Stephens Martin R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC
 [MMSI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/11/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive V.P. of Sales

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095
 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, No Par Value				(A) or (D)	11,692	I	By 401(k) Plan ⁽¹⁾

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 12.02 ⁽⁴⁾					12/18/2004 12/18/2014	Common Stock
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 9.7 ⁽⁴⁾					06/27/2008 ⁽²⁾ 06/27/2014	Common Stock
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 11.53 ⁽⁴⁾					05/21/2009 ⁽³⁾ 05/21/2015	Common Stock
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 13.75	08/11/2011		A	20,000	08/11/2012 ⁽⁵⁾ 08/11/2018	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stephens Martin R 1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095			Executive V.P. of Sales	

Signatures

Gregory L. Barnett, Attorney-in-Fact 08/15/2011

**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) Represents plan holdings as of 08/11/2011.
- (2) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 06/27/2008.
- (3) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 05/21/2009.
- (4) Amounts have been adjusted to reflect the 5-for-4 split of the issuer's common stock that was effected on May 5, 2011.
- (5) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 08/11/2012.

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