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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [MMSI] Nelson Arlin D (Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _ Other Person SOUTH JORDAN, UTÂ 84095 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One COO Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Ι Common Stock, No Par Value 903 (1) by 401(k) plan Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) 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		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:		
					Security	Direct (D)		
						or Indirect		

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	12/28/2005	12/28/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 12.14	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	12/18/2004	12/18/2014	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 15.03	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	06/10/2004	06/10/2014	Common Stock	1,500	\$ 13.81	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	12/13/2003	12/13/2013	Common Stock	3,500	\$ 21.67	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	02/06/2003(4)	02/06/2013	Common Stock	8,889	\$ 9.74	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	12/08/2001(3)	12/08/2011	Common Stock	8,890	\$ 7.61	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	02/12/2001(2)	02/12/2011	Common Stock	8,335	\$ 2.07	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		
Nelson Arlin D 1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095	Â	Â	COO	Â		

Signatures

Arlin D. Nelson 12/12/2006

**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 plan holdings as of December 6, 2006
- (2) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 2/12/2002
- (3) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 12/8/2002
- (4) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 2/6/2004

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