**ELLIS JAMES J** Form 4 August 15, 2011

## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **ELLIS JAMES J** 

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC

(Check all applicable)

[MMSI]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY

08/11/2011

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

Person

below)

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) or

4. Securities

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock, No

5,314 (5)

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)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Ame<br>Underlying Secu<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|-----------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                | (A) (D   | Date Exercisable               | Expiration<br>Date                                       | Title           | An<br>or<br>Nu<br>of                                    |  |
| Nonqualified<br>stock options<br>(rights to<br>buy) | \$ 17.34<br>(5)   |   |   |                                       |  | 12/13/2003                     | 12/13/2013   | Common<br>Stock | 1   |  |
| Nonqualified<br>stock options<br>(rights to<br>buy) | \$ 11.41<br>(5)   |   |   |                                       |  | 05/25/2005                     | 05/25/2015   | Common<br>Stock | 1   |  |
| Nonqualified<br>stock options<br>(rights to<br>buy) | \$ 9.7 (5)  |   |   |                                       |  | 06/27/2008(1)                  | 06/27/2014   | Common<br>Stock | 1   |  |
| Nonqualified<br>stock options<br>(rights to<br>buy) | \$ 11.53<br>(5)   |   |   |                                       |  | 05/21/2009(2)                  | 05/21/2015   | Common<br>Stock | 1   |  |
| Nonqualified<br>stock options<br>(rights to<br>buy) | \$ 13.82<br>(5)   |   |   |                                       |  | 09/26/2010(3)                  | 09/26/2016   | Common<br>Stock | 2.  |  |
| Nonqualified<br>stock options<br>(rights to<br>buy) | \$ 13.16<br>(5)   |   |   |                                       |  | 06/25/2011 <u>(4)</u>          | 06/25/2017   | Common<br>Stock | 2.  |  |
| Nonqualified<br>stock options<br>(rights to<br>buy) | \$ 13.75  | 08/11/2011                              |   | A                                     | 20,000   | 08/11/2012 <u>(6)</u>          | 08/11/2018   | Common<br>Stock | 2   |  |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |
| ELLIS JAMES J                  | X             |           |         |       |  |  |
| 1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY          |               |           |         |       |  |  |

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#### SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

## **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) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 6/27/2008.
- (2) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 5/21/2009.
- (3) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 9/26/2010.
- (4) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 6/25/2011.
- (5) Amounts have been adjusted to reflect the 5-for-4 split of the issuer's common stock that was effected on May 5, 20ll.
- (6) Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 8/11/2012.

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