

KERN R. FRANKLIN III  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 KERN R. FRANKLIN III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP [IBM]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 IBM CORPORATION, ONE NORTH CASTLE DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/12/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Senior Vice President

ARMONK, NY 10504

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Se (In		
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Rst. Stock Unit	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	10/12/2009	M <u>(2)</u>		5,000	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	5,000
Rst. Stock Unit	\$ 0 <u>(3)</u>	10/12/2009	A <u>(3)</u>		5,000	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	5,000

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KERN R. FRANKLIN III IBM CORPORATION ONE NORTH CASTLE DRIVE ARMONK, NY 10504			Senior Vice President	

### Signatures

D. Cummins on behalf of R. F. Kern III 10/13/2009  
 \_\_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) These units were payable in cash or the company's common stock upon the lapse of the restrictions on the transaction date shown.
- (2) Release of restricted stock units.
- (3) These units have been deferred and are payable in the company's common stock upon the lapse of the restrictions after retirement.

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