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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Kiscaden Bradley James Issuer Symbol MARKEL CORP [MKL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title C/O MARKEL 05/13/2013 below) CORPORATION, 4521 **EVP & Chief Actuarial Officer** HIGHWOODS PARKWAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060

(City)	(State) (A	Table Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	actionAcquired (A) or			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/13/2013		A(1)	809	A	\$0	6,165.0547 (2)	D	
Common Stock							502.644	I	401(K) Plan (3)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	3 and 4)		Own
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		Or Number		
						Exercisable	Date	Title Nu	Number		
				C + V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

Kiscaden Bradley James C/O MARKEL CORPORATION 4521 HIGHWOODS PARKWAY GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060

EVP & Chief Actuarial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Donna L. Strauss, Attorney-in-fact for Bradley James Kiscaden

05/15/2013

**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).
- Restricted stock units awarded pursuant to the Markel Corporation 2012 Equity Incentive Compensation Plan. Restricted stock units will **(1)** vest on May 13, 2016.

In addition to the award of 809 restricted stock units reported on this Form 4, the total includes 380 restricted stock units awarded pursuant to the Markel Corporation 2012 Equity Incentive Compensation Plan and the Markel Corporation Omnibus Incentive Plan, as applicable, that will vest, subject to certain conditions, on December 31, 2017; 1,668 restricted stock units awarded pursuant to the

- Markel Corporation Omnibus Incentive Plan that will vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 10, 2015; and 410 restricted stock units awarded pursuant to the Markel Corporation Omnibus Incentive Plan, of which 94 units will vest on December 31, 2014, and 316 units will vest on December 31, 2015.
- Holdings under the Markel Corporation 401(K) Plan are reported in units. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement (3) dated as of March 31, 2013 and utilizes the closing stock price on that date of \$503.50 per share. As of March 31, 2013, a unit under the Plan represented one share of Common Stock.

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