

ESCALADE INC
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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 *
GRIFFIN ROBERT E

(Last) (First) (Middle)
817 MAXWELL AVENUE
(Street)

EVANSVILLE, IN 47717

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ESCALADE INC [ESCA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/26/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 362,748 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 212,462 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Adult Children |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 959,796 | I | Family Limited Partnership |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 1,800,000 | I | Family Limited Liability Company |

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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 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Options | \$ 2.56 | 02/26/2010 | | A | 5,000 (2) | 02/26/2011 02/26/2015 | Common Stock | 5,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GRIFFIN ROBERT E 817 MAXWELL AVENUE EVANSVILLE, IN 47717 | X | X | Chairman | |

Signatures

/s/ Robert E. Griffin 03/01/2010

**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) Mr. Robert Griffin disclaims beneficial interest in shares held by his adult children.

(2) Options awarded pursuant to the Escalade, Incorporated 2007 Incentive Plan. These options vest and are exercisable one year after grant at \$2.56 per share and expire five years from date of grant.

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