

SECURITY NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 Quist George R.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SECURITY NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP [SNFCA]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 4491 WANDER LANE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/10/2008

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

SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84106  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Stock	11/10/2008		J <sup>(1)</sup>		5,095	A	\$ 1.94
Class A Common Stock	11/25/2008		P		4	A	\$ 1.25
Class A Common Stock	11/26/2008		P		600	A	\$ 1.25
Class A Common	12/22/2008		P		11,535	A	\$ 1.4

Stock

Class A

Common 12/24/2008 P 2,861 A \$ 1.4 878,541 <sup>(2)</sup> D

Stock

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 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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.26 <sup>(3)</sup>	07/16/2004		A	60,775 <sup>(3)</sup>	07/16/2004 07/16/2009	Class A Common Stock 60,775
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.92 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/10/2004		A	60,775 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/10/2004 12/10/2009	Class A Common Stock 60,775
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.33 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/25/2005		A	81,034 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/25/2005 03/25/2010	Class A Common Stock 81,034
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.235	03/31/2008		A	50,000 <sup>(6)</sup>	06/30/2008 <sup>(6)</sup> 03/31/2013	Class A Common Stock 50,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.5	12/05/2008		A	100,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	03/05/2008 <sup>(7)</sup> 12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock 100,000

buy)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Quist George R. 4491 WANDER LANE SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84106	X	X	Chairman and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ George R.  
Quist

01/21/2009

\*\*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) Mandatory retirement disbursement from the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) because the reporting person is over 70-1/2 years of age.  
Includes 557,420 shares of Class A Common Stock owned by George R. and Shirley C. Quist Family Partnership, Ltd. Does not include 77,813 shares of Class A Common Stock and 517,527 shares of Class C Common Stock owned indirectly by the reporting person in the 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, Associated Investors, the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP), and the Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) This option was originally reported as covering 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock at an exercise price of \$3.96 per share, but adjusted to reflect 5% stock dividends on January 22, 2005, January 20, 2006, January 19, 2007, and January 18, 2008.
- (3) This option was originally reported as covering 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock at an exercise price of \$3.55 per share, but adjusted to reflect 5% stock dividends on January 22, 2005, January 20, 2006, January 19, 2007, and January 18, 2008.
- (4) This option was originally reported as covering 70,000 shares of Class A Common Stock at an exercise price of \$3.86 per share, but adjusted to reflect 5% stock dividends on January 20, 2006, January 19, 2007, and January 18, 2008.
- (5) This option vests in four equal quarterly installments of 12,500 shares of Class A Common Stock, beginning on June 30, 2008, until such shares are fully vested.
- (6) This option vests in four equal quarterly installments of 25,000 shares of Class a Common Stock, beginning on March 5, 2009, until such shares are fully vested.
- (7)

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