

MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES 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 *
WERT JAMES W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP [MRLN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/26/2005

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

C/O MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP., 300 FELLOWSHIP ROAD

(Street)

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

MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054

(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/26/2005		A	(A) or (D) 1,365 (1)	(2) 1,365	D	

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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Share
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 19.78	05/26/2005		A	1,161	05/26/2006 ⁽³⁾ 05/25/2012	Common Stock	1,161
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 2.81					03/01/2002 ⁽⁴⁾ 03/01/2008	Common Stock	21,391
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 3.39					01/17/2006 ⁽⁴⁾ 01/17/2012	Common Stock	7,000
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 3.39					01/13/2007 ⁽⁴⁾ 01/13/2013	Common Stock	2,800
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 14					11/11/2007 ⁽⁴⁾ 11/10/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 16.01					05/26/2005 ⁽⁵⁾ 05/25/2014	Common Stock	1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WERT JAMES W C/O MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP. 300 FELLOWSHIP ROAD MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054	X			

Signatures

/s/ George D. Pelose Attorney
in Fact

05/31/2005

__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) Represents grant of restricted stock as part of the Company's Director compensation plan. The restrictions on these shares shall lapse upon the earlier of (i) seven years from the grant date and (ii) six months following the Director's termination of Board service.
- (2) N/A
- (3) Grant of options made pursuant to the Company's Director compensation plan. Date listed is the date of full vesting (which is one year from the date of grant). The options cliff vest on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) Date listed is the date of full vesting. Each grants vests 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (5) Grant of options made pursuant to the Company's Director compensation plan. Date listed is the date of full vesting (which is one year from the date of grant). The options vest in equal quarterly installments over the one year vesting period.

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