SICKEL BRUCE E

Form 5

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Transactions

Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer SICKEL BRUCE E Symbol MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES (Check all applicable) CORP [MRLN] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2005 Chief Financial Officer C/O MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP., Â 300 FELLOWSHIP ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line)

#### MOUNT LAUREL, NJÂ 08054

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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(City)	(State) (	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-Deri	vative Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/14/2005	Â	J	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	8,567 <u>(3)</u>	D	Â

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. Num of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D (Instra, 4, and	vative rities nired or osed o) r. 3,	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 17.52	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/11/2009(4)	01/10/2012	Common Stock	4,825
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 14	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/11/2007(4)	11/10/2013	Common Stock	30,000
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 18.8	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/29/2012(5)	01/28/2014	Common Stock	10,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SICKEL BRUCE E								
C/O MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.	â	â	Chief Financial Officer	Â				
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MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054								

### **Signatures**

/s/ Bruce E.
Sickel

\*\*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).

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- (1) Forfeiture of restricted stock upon effectiveness of Transition Agreement relating to termination of employment (pursuant to the terms of the grant instruments and the Marlin Business Services Corp. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan).
- (2) N/A
- (3) Includes 526 shares acquired under the Marlin Business Services Corp. 2003 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan") on June 30, 2005 and 527 shares acquired under the Plan on December 31, 2005.
- (4) Date listed is date of full vesting. This grant vests 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- Date listed is date of scheduled full vesting. This grant vests over an eight year period at the following annual increments: 2.5% in first year; 5.0% in second year; 7.5% in third year; 10.0% in fourth year; 15.0% in fifth year; and 20.0% in each of the sixth, seventh and eighth years. Vesting can be accelerated upon the reporting person's achievement of certain performance goals set forth in the grant instrument.

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